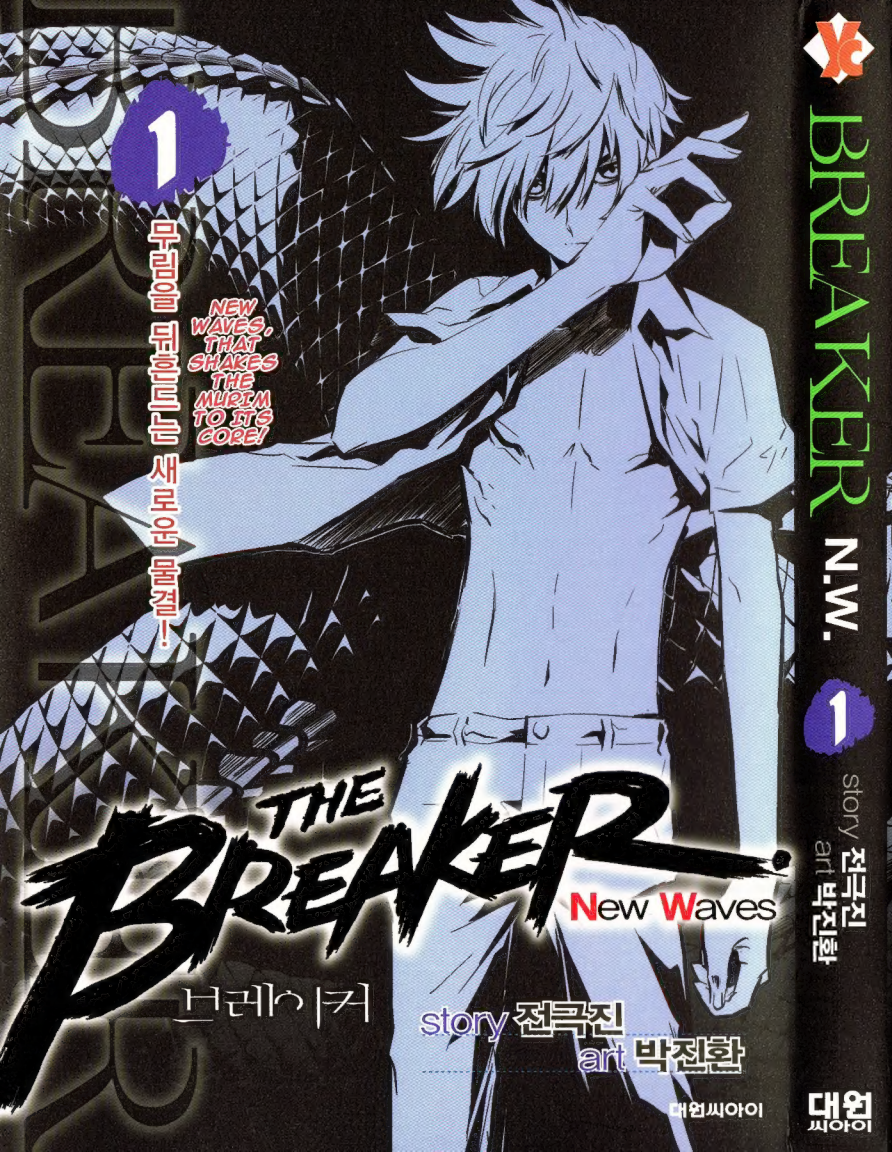

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THE BEGINNING OF A NEW LEGEND IN THE MURIM!!

IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE DESPERATE BATTLE BETWEEN GOOMOONRYONG AND THE MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE...
YI SHIOON, WHOSE KI-CENTER WAS DESTROYED BY HIS OWN MASTER, GOOMOONRYONG, WHICH LEFT HIM UNABLE TO PRACTICE MARTIAL ARTS. EVEN THOUGH SHIOON IS NO LONGER A MURIM-IN, MORE ASSAILANTS CONTINUE TO PURSUE HIM.
THROUGH HIS ENCOUNTER WITH GOOMOONRYONG, THE BULLIED BOY HAS GROWN INTO A RESPECTABLE MAN;
HOWEVER, SHIOON MUST NOW LEARN TO SURVIVE IN THIS CHILLY WORLD OF MURIM WITHOUT HIS MASTER...

AUTHORS NOTES

JEON GEUK-JIN

DEAR READERS, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN IN THE VOLUME PAPERBACK. VOLUME 1 OF THE BREAKER PART 2 (NEW WAVES, OR NW) IS HERE, ONE YEAR AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL VOLUME OF THE BREAKER PART 1. (GOING FROM DEADLINE TO DEADLINE FOR THE WEEKLY SERIALIZATION, TIME HAS REALLY FLOWN BY WITHOUT NOTICE).

AS YOU PROBABLY ALL KNOW, THE BREAKER NW IS CURRENTLY SERIALIZED IN DAUM MANHWA WORLD (HTTP://CARTOON.MEDIA.DAUM.NET/WEBTOON/VIEW/BREAKER2).

AND, WITH SO MANY SERIAL CHAPTERS OUT, THE NEXT PAPERBACK VOLUME WILL PROBABLY BE IN YOUR HANDS, VERY SOON.

WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, I PRESENT TO YOU THE NEW BEGINNING OF THE BREAKER NW! WE HOPE THAT YOU ENJOY.

* FOR FANS WHO BOUGHT THIS BOOK, WE'VE INCLUDED A SPECIAL CHAPTER, THE BREAKER EXTRA STORY, WHICH WAS NEVER SERIALIZED ON THE WEB. PLEASE ENJOY THAT AS WELL.
** YOU DO KNOW IT'S ILLEGAL TO UPLOAD SCANS ON THE WEB, RIGHT? AS ALWAYS, THIS IS JUST ANOTHER REMINDER, IN CASE PEOPLE FORGET.

PARK JIN-HWAN

FINALLY... FINALLY THE BREAKER NW VOLUME 1 IS HERE. IT'S BEEN A WHOLE YEAR SINCE THE END OF PART 1. THIS IS REALLY LATE... DUE TO SO MANY FACTORS, LIKE CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THE SERIALS... OR THE INTENSE WEEKLY DEADLINE.

THE MAIN REASON FOR THE LENGTHY DELAY, HOWEVER, WAS THE "RARE-ITEM" BREAKER EXTRA STORY THAT APPEARS IN THIS VOLUME. THE IDEA IS TO ENHANCE THE COLLECTABILITY OF THE PAPERBACK. MOST LIKELY... EVERY VOLUME WILL HAVE A CHAPTER OF THE EXTRA STORY AT THE END.

OH... AND DON'T WORRY. NW VOL2 WON'T TAKE AS LONG TO COME OUT AS VOL1 DID. IT'LL BE OUT REAL SOON. WE PUT OUR ALL INTO IT, SO I HOPE YOU'LL ENJOY.

TO HYEONG-GEUN, WHO WORKED HIS BUTT OFF TO HELP CREATE THE BREAKER BUT HAS MOVED ON TO SOMETHING BETTER... THANKS FOR ALL THAT YOU WENT THROUGH TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE. AND TO CHOI JIN-HO, KOO SEUNG-WOO, GO-WOON, AND PARK CHEONG-HWEOK, WHO ARE WITH ME NOW... I REALLY THANK YOU. THE WEEKLY SERIAL IS A SUCCESS ONLY BECAUSE OF YOU GUYS. GO, YOU~!

OH, THAT'S RIGHT -- (AS A REMINDER) THE BREAKER IS A WEEKLY SERIAL AT THE DAUM MANHWA WORLD.

작가의 말

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무림의 새로운 전설이 시작된다!!

구문룡과 연합무단의 처절한 싸움이 끝난 이후…
스승 구문룡에 의해 단전이 파괴돼 무공을 쓸 수 없게 된 이시운.
하지만 더 이상 무림인이 아님에도 불구하고 시운을 노리는 무림인들이 속속 모습을 드러낸다.
구문룡과의 만남을 통해 왕따 소년에서 어엿한 사나이로 성장했지만,
이제 스승마저 없는 이 차가운 무림 속에서 어떻게든 살아남아야 하는데….

MY NAME IS
YI SHIOON,
A 1ST YEAR AT
NINE DRAGONS
HIGH SCHOOL.

I WAS OFTEN BULLIED BY MY CLASSMATES.
I DON'T REMEMBER EXACTLY WHEN, OR HOW, BUT THE DARKNESS WITHIN ME HAD STARTED TO EAT AWAY AT EVERYTHING.
AND JUST WHEN I THOUGHT I'D HAD ENOUGH,

I MET THIS SUNSENGNIM*.
I OBTAINED MY LIGHT THROUGH HIM, AND LEARNED A NEW WAY OF LIVING IN THIS WORLD FROM HIM.
[*- KOREAN WORD FOR "TEACHER"; WHAT SHIOON CALLS GOOMOONRYONG]
AND...
CRACK

I ENCOUNTERED THIS NEW WORLD CALLED THE "MURIM*".
[*- THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD OR SOCIETY]
ALL THAT REMAINED FOR ME WERE PAINFUL MEMORIES OF SUNSENGNIM...
AND NOW, A NEW STORY IS ABOUT TO UNFOLD.
THAT WORLD, HOWEVER, VANISHED FROM MY VIEW, ALMOST AS SOON AS I HAD ENCOUNTERED IT.

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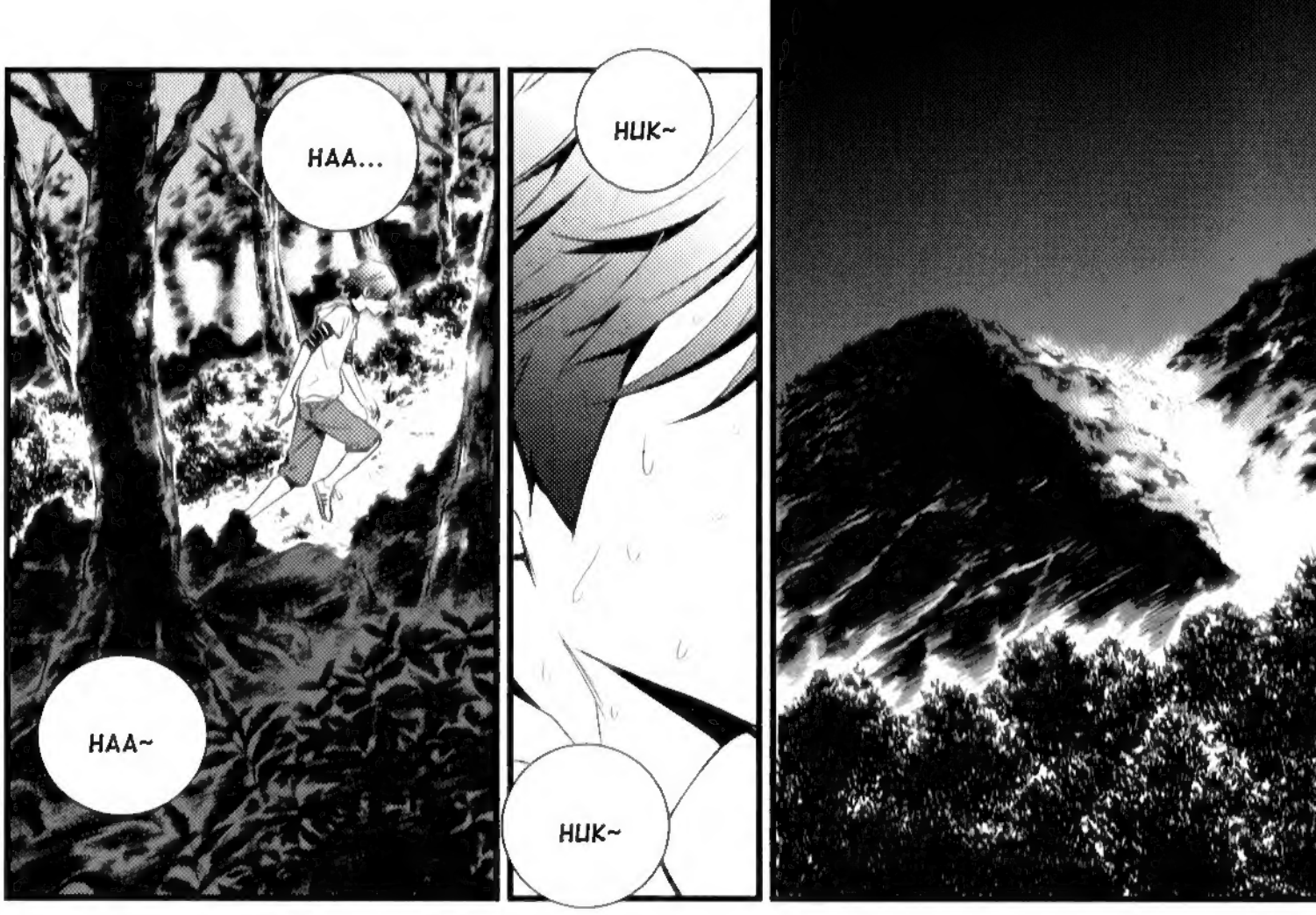
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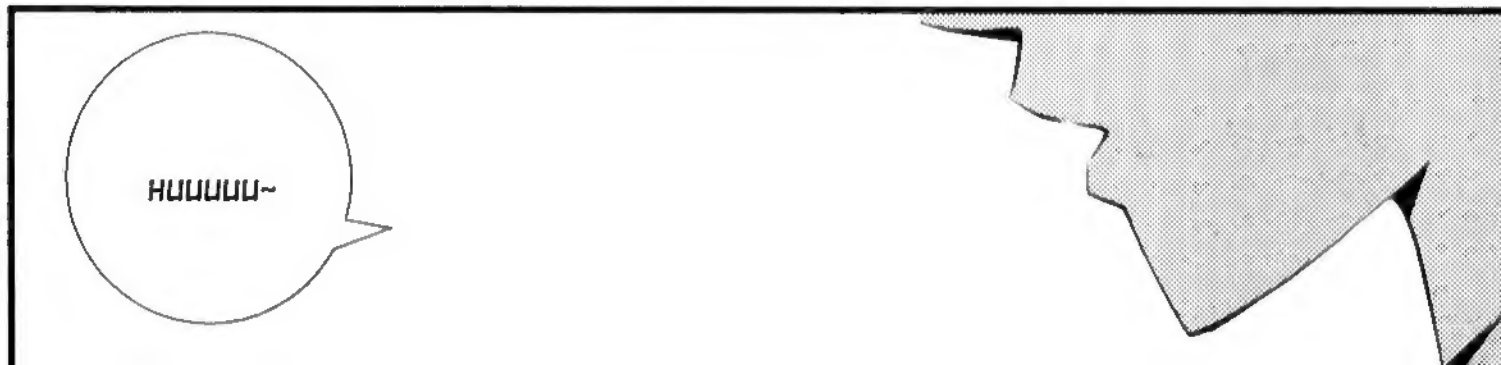
HAA~
HUK~
HUK~


HUUUUU~

I REALLY CAN'T GATHER ANY KI...
I GUESS MY KI-CENTER* REALLY HAS BEEN DESTROYED.
SEEING AS HOW IT HASN'T WORKED THESE PAST FEW DAYS,

11 [*- "DAN-JUN"; PLACE IN THE CENTRAL, LOWER ABDOMEN WHERE KI ACCUMULATES]

[**- PART1 V10 CH72]

THE MURIM'S RULES...
ULTIMATELY, GOOMOONRYONG PUSHED YOU OUT OF THE MURIM, IN ORDER TO SAVE YOU.
BECAUSE THE MURIM'S RULES APPLY ONLY TO THOSE WHO BELONG IN THE MURIM.**

TO A NEW WORLD OF MURIM THAT IS WAITING FOR YOU, SHIOON-NIM*.
[*~ "-NIM", AN HONORIFIC SUFFIX, TO ADDRESS SOMEONE OF HIGHER STATUS]
AHJUSSI**, I'M NO LONGER PART OF THE MURIM.
[**~ "OLD MAN", USED TO REFER TO A MALE SIGNIFICANTLY OLDER IN AGE]
BUT WHY NOT? RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE...
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I DO NOT WANT TO BE A PERSON OF THE MURIM.
!
MY BODY IS IN A STATE WHERE I CAN'T USE OR LEARN MARTIAL ARTS.
WELL, ABOUT THAT...

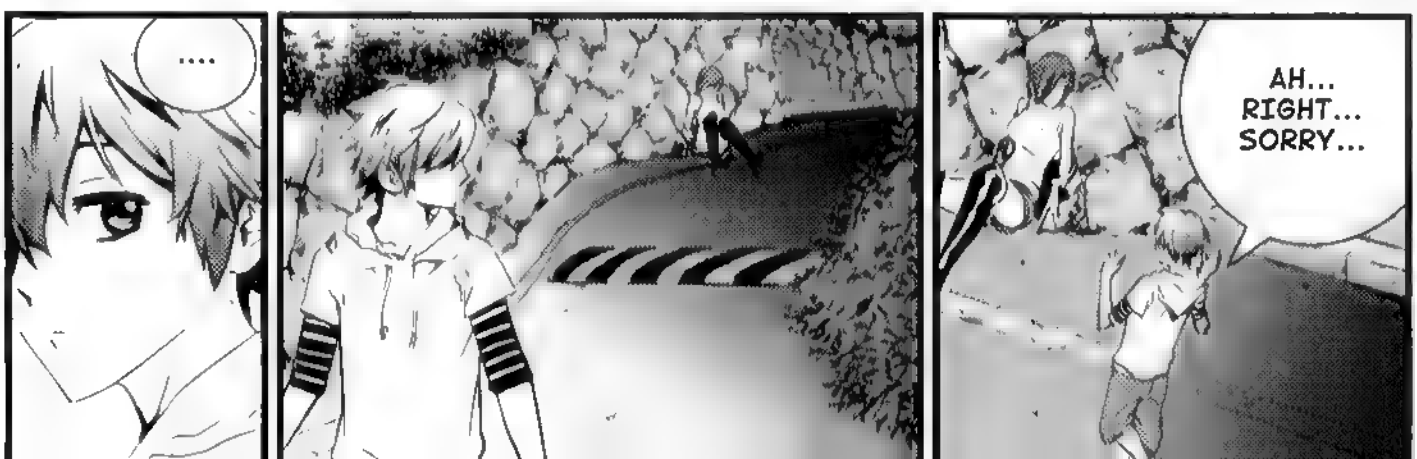
AND I WANT TO FOLLOW SUNSENGNIM'S WISH.
SUNSENGNIM HAS EXPELLED ME AS HIS DISCIPLE.
I BELIEVE IT'S BECAUSE HE WISHED FOR ME TO LEAVE THE MURIM.
YI SHIOON-NIM...

SO THAT'S WHY. FROM NOW ON...
HUH?
NO MATTER WHAT. I STILL THINK IT WAS THE RIGHT DECISION.
'CUZ. IT'S PROBABLY SAFER NOT TO GET INVOLVED IN MATTERS RELATED TO THE MURIM.
I THOUGHT HE'D KEEP COMING FOR ME, BUT
I HAVEN'T SEEN OR HEARD FROM HIM IN WEEKS. DOES THIS MEAN HE'S FINALLY GIVEN UP?

HUK...
HUK...
UM... EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU HURT? DO YOU NEED HELP?
GLANCE
WHOA... FEELS LIKE A DELINQUENT ...
GULP

UM... EVEN SO... IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE REALLY HURT...
HAHA...
SO GRUFF, TOO...
UM...
GET LOST!

YOU WANNA DIE?! I TOLD YOU TO FUCK OFF!
AH~ FUCK!!
SHOCK
와들와들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AH... RIGHT... SORRY...

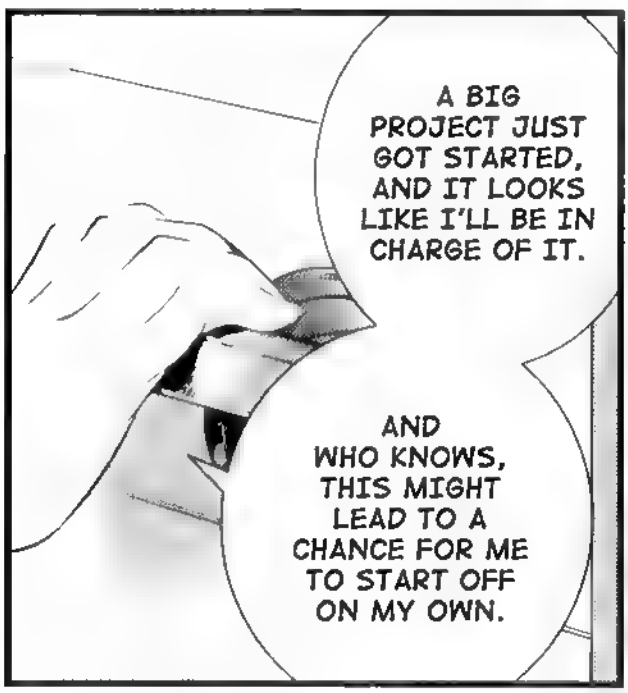
UM...
HERE ARE SOME BANDAGES AND DISINFECTANT. I GOT THEM FROM THE CONVENIENCE STORE NEARBY.
SUUK
WELL, IF YOU'RE BADLY HURT, YOU REALLY SHOULD HURRY TO A HOSPITAL.
I'M SORRY IF I WAS A BOTHER. I WAS JUST WORRIED.

SHOULDN'T I CALL 911 OR SOMETHING? WILL SHE BE OKAY?
THAT GIRL...

HUH? MOM?
AH, SHIOON. WERE YOU OUT EXERCISING?
딸깍
CLICK

DID SOMETHING GOOD HAPPEN?
HEHEHEH~ THAT'S RIGHT.

ARE YOU GOING TO WORK NOW?
YUP~ I AM~


A BIG PROJECT JUST GOT STARTED, AND IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE IN CHARGE OF IT.
AND WHO KNOWS, THIS MIGHT LEAD TO A CHANCE FOR ME TO START OFF ON MY OWN.

JUST MAYBE, YOUR MOM MIGHT BECOME A DIRECTOR.
EH?

SEEMS LIKE THINGS ARE GOING WELL FOR MOM, AT LEAST.
HUH?

EH
SLAM
WHOA~

WISH ME LUCK. I'LL TREAT US TO A BIG FEAST, IF EVERYTHING GOES WELL.

HM?
HEY, YOU! STOP RIGHT THERE!
WHOA! I'M LATE!
WHAT?! THE TIME!!
HUH? YOU ARE... FROM BACK THEN...?
THAT

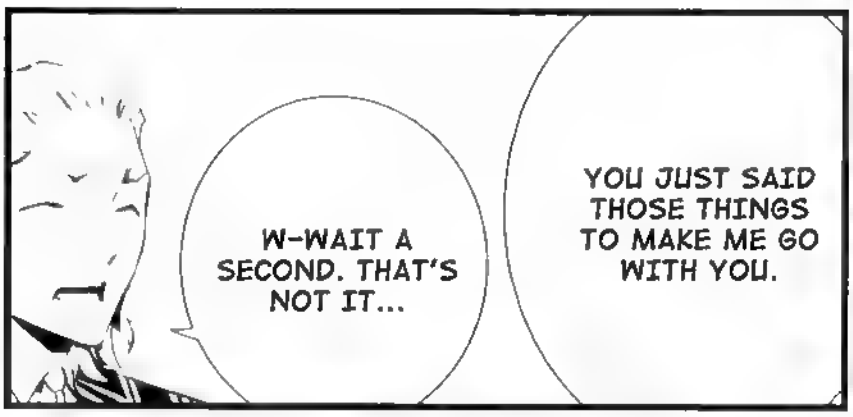
YELL
HEY! AM I THAT PITIFUL TO YOU??
DO I LOOK LIKE A BEGGAR TO YOU? HUH?!
WHA... WHAT'S WRONG?
I... I'M SORRY. I GUESS I MADE A MISTAKE.
DID I FREAKIN' ASK YOU TO GET ME THIS STUFF? YOU WANNA DIE?!

휙
WHEESH
YOU DO THAT ONE MORE TIME,
AND I'M REALLY GOING TO KILL YOU!
탁
TAK
CHE!
Y... YES, MA'AM!
A TWERP LIKE YOU SHOULDN'T GET SO COCKY.
PTUI!
HA-AH...
WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED JUST NOW?

WHAT'S UP WITH HER, ANYWAY? FROM HER NICE LOOKS AND BODY, I THOUGHT SHE'D BE A NICE GIRL... BUT THE WAY SHE SPEAKS AND ACTS....
CHE...
WHAT A SCREWED-UP MORNING. I HELP SOMEONE, THEN GET CHEWED OUT FOR IT...
22
HOLD ON.
HOW DID SHE KNOW WHERE I LIVE?
CHATTER CHATTER
HUH?

JUST WHO IN THE WORLD GOES AROUND IN A CAR LIKE THAT?
WHOA~ LOOKS LIKE A SUPER EXPENSIVE CAR.
DON'T TELL ME...
UH-OH...
...
IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT YOU'RE STILL SAFE! PLEASE, GET IN!
HUH? WHAT?
YI SHIOON-NIM!
OPEN
WE HAVE TO GO RIGHT NOW TO THE SUNWOO CLAN!
GRAB
!
WUAAH~! I KNEW IT~!

IT APPEARS THAT SOME PEOPLE ARE AFTER YOU, SHIOON-NIM.
THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE RIGHT NOW!
WHAT?! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?! I ALREADY TOLD YOU, I DON'T WANT TO!
EVEN WE'RE NOT SURE EXACTLY WHOM, BUT IF YOU DON'T COME TO THE SUNWOO CLAN RIGHT NOW, WHO KNOWS WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN.
HUH? WHO, JUST WHO EXACTLY IS AFTER ME?
YES!
YOU'RE NOT SURE WHO IT IS, BUT IF I DON'T GO TO THE SUNWOO CLAN, RIGHT NOW, SOMETHING BAD MIGHT HAPPEN TO ME?

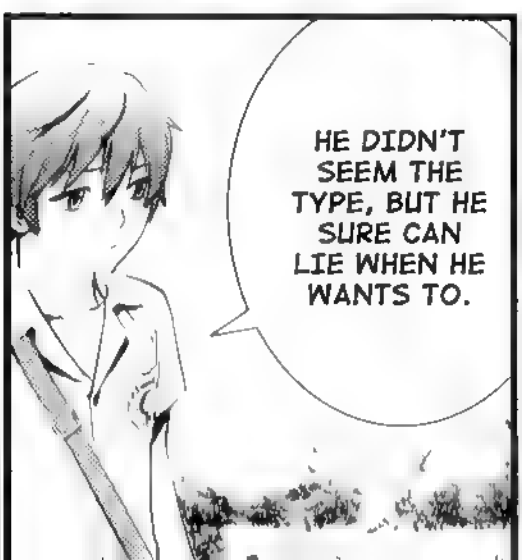

W-WAIT A SECOND. THAT'S NOT IT...
YOU JUST SAID THOSE THINGS TO MAKE ME GO WITH YOU.

HAHA~ YOU'RE SUCH A KIDDER, AHJUSSI. I ALMOST FELL FOR IT.
HUH?

NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY, I WANT NOTHING TO DO WITH THAT WORLD. SO, PLEASE, JUST GO BACK.

AH...
THIS ISN'T GOOD...

IS HE THE ONE?


HE DIDN'T SEEM THE TYPE, BUT HE SURE CAN LIE WHEN HE WANTS TO.

MAN, I ALMOST FELL FOR IT.

YES, HE IS THE ELDER'S ENEMY.

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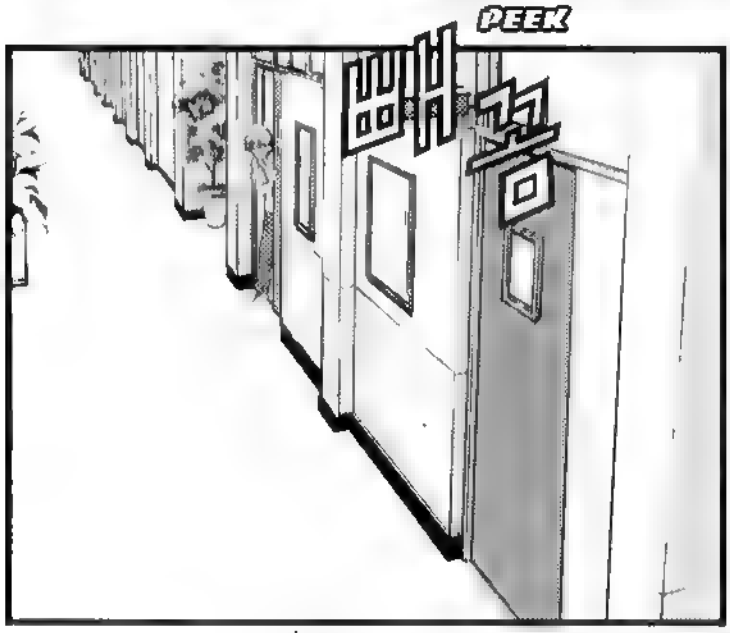
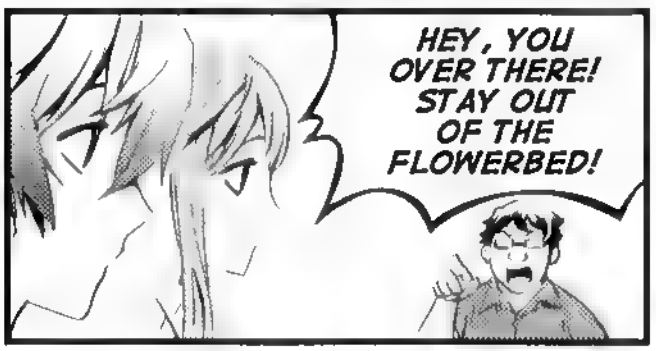
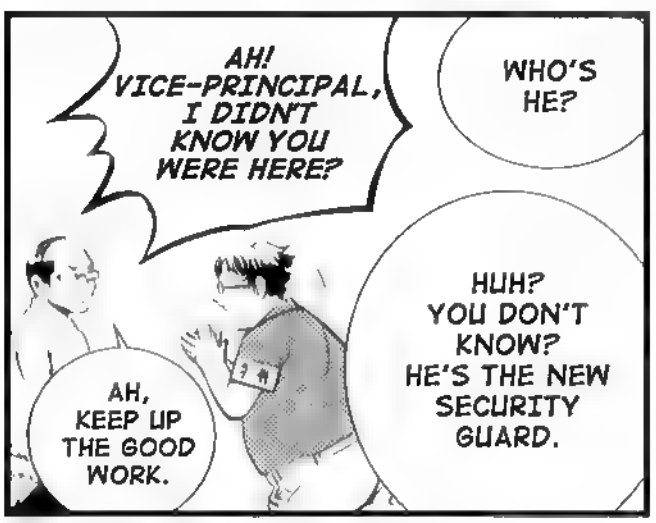
[*- "PC BANG"; KOREAN EQUIV OF INTERNET CAFE, USUALLY FOR MULTIPLAYER GAMING]

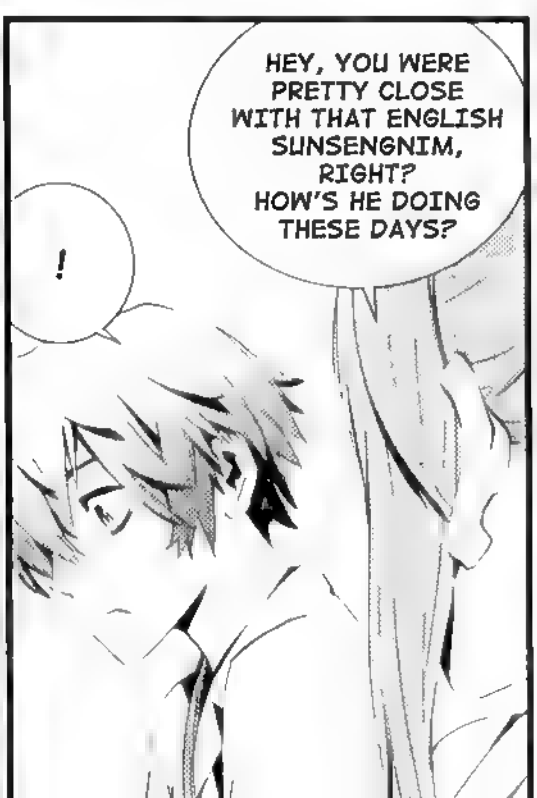



HEY, YOU OVER THERE! STAY OUT OF THE FLOWERBED!


AH! VICE-PRINCIPAL, I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE HERE?
WHO'S HE?
HUH? YOU DON'T KNOW? HE'S THE NEW SECURITY GUARD.
AH, KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

S-SAEHEE?
HUH? WHY ARE YOU SO SURPRISED?

I... DUNNO.


HEY, YOU WERE PRETTY CLOSE WITH THAT ENGLISH SUNSENGNIM, RIGHT? HOW'S HE DOING THESE DAYS?
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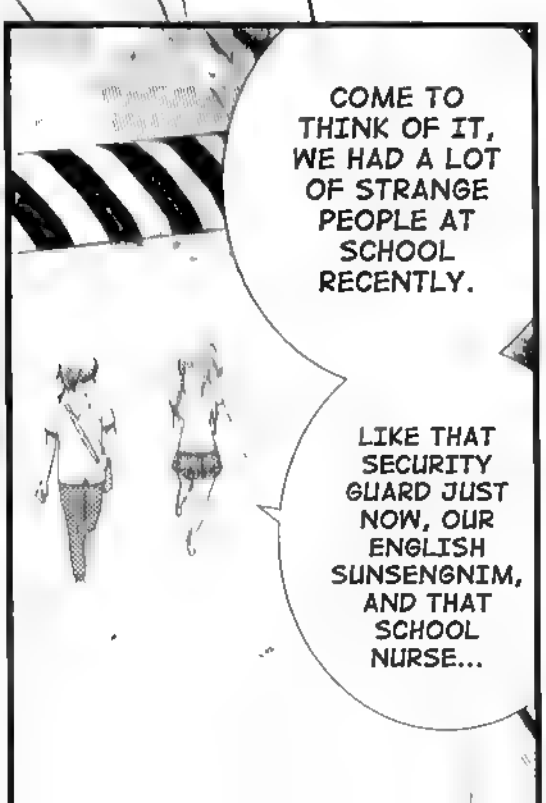
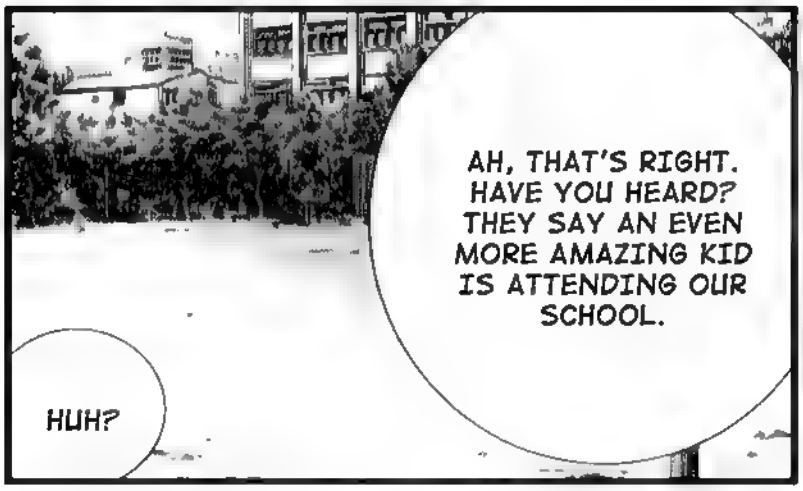
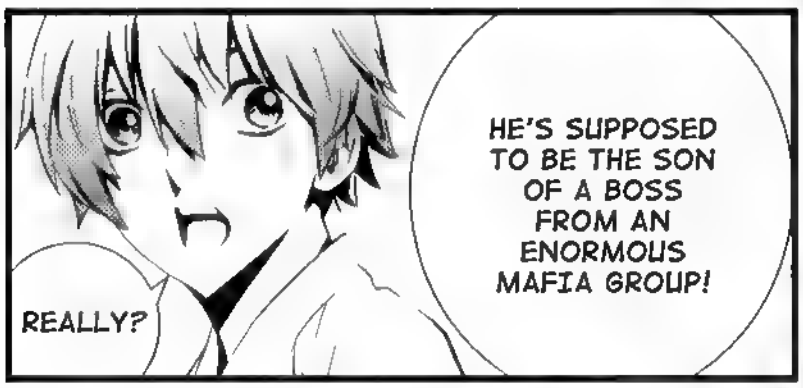

COME TO THINK OF IT, WE HAD A LOT OF STRANGE PEOPLE AT SCHOOL RECENTLY.
LIKE THAT SECURITY GUARD JUST NOW, OUR ENGLISH SUNSENGNIM, AND THAT SCHOOL NURSE...


AH, THAT'S RIGHT. HAVE YOU HEARD? THEY SAY AN EVEN MORE AMAZING KID IS ATTENDING OUR SCHOOL.
HUH?


HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE THE SON OF A BOSS FROM AN ENORMOUS MAFIA GROUP!
REALLY?

RUMOUR IS, THE GROUP IS SO BIG THAT EVEN THE POLICE CAN'T TOUCH THEM.
WHOA... THAT SOUNDS RATHER SCARY...

비틀
STUMBLE
YEAH, I KNOW. LAST WEEK, THEY SAY THAT TONS OF HIS SUBORDINATES SHOWED UP HERE, ALL DRESSED IN BLACK, JUST TO ESCORT THE SON HOME.

SUNSENGNIM...
IS HE DOING ALRIGHT, I WONDER...

YEAH, YOU REMEMBER THAT DAY WHEN THERE WERE A LOT OF LUXURY CARS IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL?
THAT WAS WHEN THEY CAME TO PICK HIM UP.
L-LAST WEEK?
I GUESS THE RUMOURS WERE INEVITABLE... SINCE SO MANY OF THEM CAME...
AND I HEARD THE POLICE DIDN'T DO A THING, EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE HARD TO MISS.
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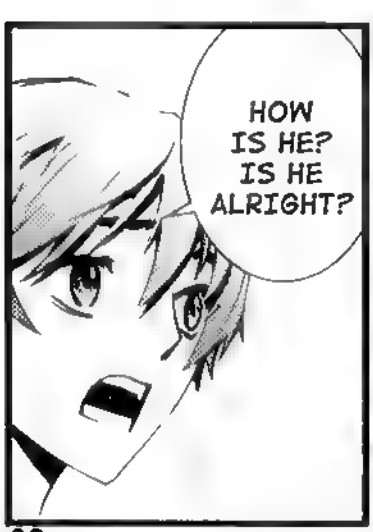
OI, YI SHIOON!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, HOW ARE YOU?
IS THAT WHY NO ONE PICKS FIGHTS WITH ME ANYMORE?
WELL... I GUESS YOU COULD CALL THAT A GOOD THING.

SHIOON, THAT GUY, HE'S FROM THAT NIGHT...
HUH? YOU ARE...
32
AH, YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SO FORMAL WITH ME, I'M ALSO A FRESHMAN.
I WANNA TREAT YOU TO COFFEE, CAN YOU SPARE SOME TIME? NOTHING HARMFUL, SO DON'T WORRY.
SO, HOW CAN I HELP YOU?
HM, SO YOU'RE WITH THAT SAME GIRL AS THE LAST TIME.
SO, WHAT IS IT?
RBUCKS COFFEE

[*- AN OLDER BROTHER FROM THE SAME ARTS SCHOOL]

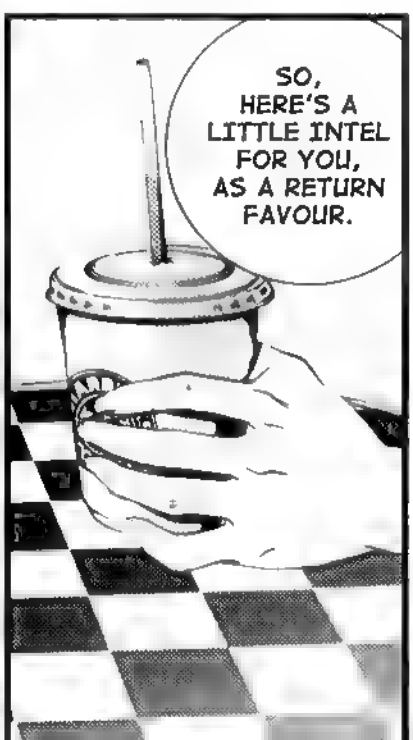


UH... HELLO?? THAT'S HOW YOU DEFINE "PERFECTLY FINE"?
ALL OF HIS ARMS AND LEGS ARE BROKEN, AND A FEW RIBS, TOO. BUT OVERALL, HE'S PERFECTLY FINE.

THAT MAN SEEMED UNCONSCIOUS AT THE TIME, BUT I GUESS HE WAS STILL AWAKE.

!
HE SAID THE ONLY REASON HE SURVIVED WAS BECAUSE A KID PERSUADED GOOMOONRYONG TO STOP. AND I JUST KNEW IT HAD TO BE YOU. THAT'S WHY I CAME TO SAY THANKS.

HUH?
THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE AFTER YOU, SO BE CAREFUL.


SO, HERE'S A LITTLE INTEL FOR YOU, AS A RETURN FAVOUR.

HUH? WHAT WAS THAT?
YI GYOO-BUM? WHO'S THAT?
HEY, YOU HAVEN'T MET A GUY NAMED YI GYOO-BUM RECENTLY, HAVE YOU?
DON'T THE RULES OF MURIM APPLY ONLY TO THE PEOPLE OF THE MURIM? I'M NO LONGER A PART OF THAT WORLD, SO WHY SHOULD THEY COME AFTER ME?
NO, IT'S JUST THAT...
IT'S RATHER STRANGE THAT SOMEONE WOULD BE AFTER ME.
PLUS, YOU'RE GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE.
QUITE A FEW SCHOOLS GOT CREAMED BY HIM, SO THEY AREN'T ABOUT TO JUST LET IT GO, EVEN IF THE ALLIANCE SAYS NO.
OH, YES, THE MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE DEFINITELY ANNOUNCED THAT.
BUT I HEARD THAT EVER SINCE THE ALLIANCE'S PRIDE GOT TRAMPLED, THEIR INFLUENCE ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE.

WELL, OF COURSE THE ALLIANCE ISN'T TOTALLY WEAK, AND SO NO SCHOOL WILL DARE OPPOSE IT COMPLETELY.
WHICH MEANS THAT NOTHING BIG WILL HAPPEN RIGHT AWAY.
THEN... THAT MEANS...
YEAH. THERE'S NO TELLING WHEN OR WHERE THOSE GUYS WILL ATTACK.
STILL, YOU NEVER KNOW WHICH SCHOOL WILL DO WHAT, SO IT'D BE BEST TO AVOID ANY INVOLVEMENT IN ANYTHING DANGEROUS.

HM?
NO... I'M WORRYING TOO MUCH. WHY WOULD THEY COME AFTER SOMEONE LIKE ME? WHAT WOULD THEY GAIN FROM IT...
THEY'RE AFTER ME? THE MURIM-IN* ARE?

[*- PEOPLE OF THE MURIM]

I AM KIM JUNG-WOO OF THE STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL*.
KUU...
WELCOME, YI SHIOON.
[*~ "GUN YONG MOON"]

[*- HEAD OF A MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOL]

REMEMBER, WE WERE SIMPLY HAVING A CONTEST WITH GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE, WHO CHALLENGED THE STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL -- THAT'S ALL.

HEY, BRING IT HERE.
WHA... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...

AND HE STRONGLY INSISTED ON A MATCH OF SWORD SKILLS, WHICH HAPPENS TO BE STRONG DRAGON'S SPECIALTY. SOUNDS TRULY LIKE GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE, RIGHT?
TAAK
타

BUT OF COURSE, IT HAD TO BE A FREAK ACCIDENT.
AND IN THE PROCESS, GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE JUST HAPPENED TO LOSE HIS LIFE, YOU KNOW?
SCHIIING

WHAT'S WRONG? PICK UP THE SWORD.

FLINCH

I AM NOT A MURIM-IN! I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT!

WELL, IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN I'LL LET YOU HAVE THE FIRST STRIKE.
ATTACK ME FIRST, GOOMOON RYONG'S DISCIPLE.

DON'T... DON'T DO THIS, PLEASE...
HUH? WHAT? YOU SAID YOU DON'T NEED A SWORD?

WELL... IF YOU INSIST...
KEKEH.
KUKUKU.
HUH? YOU DON'T WANT THE FIRST STRIKE, SO YOU WANT ME TO GO FIRST?
FWOOSH
THEN PLEASE ALLOW ME TO ATTACK FIRST.
W-WAIT!

WHAAAAW

BADA-BOOM
타다닥
SA... SA-HYUNG!
TAK
HEH~ SO THIS TIME IT'S THE STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL?
HAH...?

THE
BREAKER
New Waves

I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED WHAT STRONG DRAGON MARTIAL ARTS WERE LIKE. WHY DON'T YOU SHOW ME?
W-WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?!
THAT, YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW.
TAP TAP

JUST SHOW ME WHAT YOU'VE GOT!
THAT
EX
VOOM
THE FUCK~! YOU LITTLE...
HUH?

WHAAM
퍽이야
SLAM
CHE!

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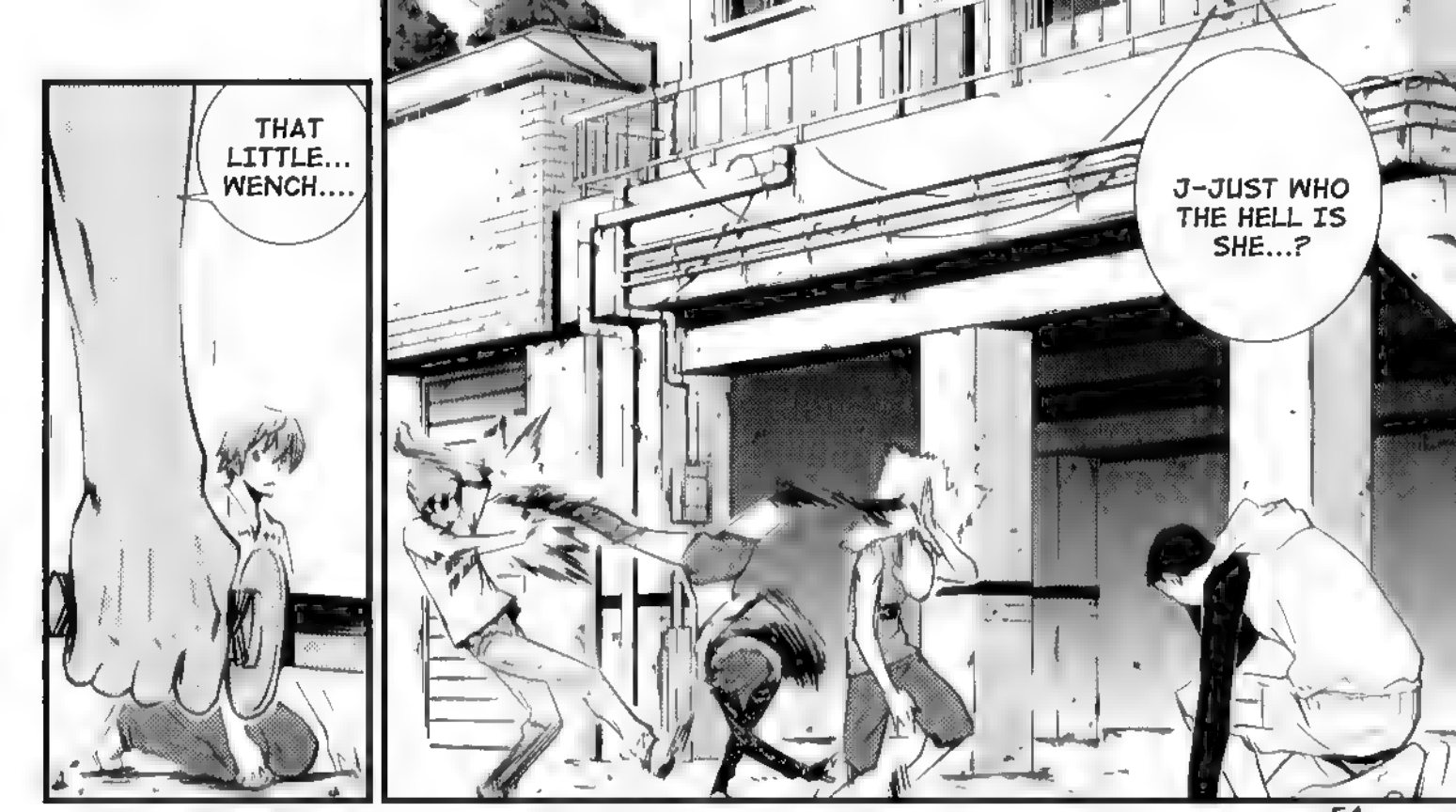
KILL THAT BITCH!
DON'T JUST STAND THERE!
GOOD.
THAT MAKES IT MORE FUN!
!
WHOOSH

CRRRUNCH
YOU LITTLE!

SQUEEZE
MMPH! MMMPH!
CRAAAACK
BOOOM
THUD
AH...


THAT LITTLE... WENCH....
J-JUST WHO THE HELL IS SHE...?

MOVE IT, YOU BASTARDS!
AH...
FWOOOSH
WHOA!
!

POOW
SEEING AS HOW YOU JUST BUTTED IN WITHOUT ANY FEAR, I'M GONNA GUESS YOU'RE A NEWBIE WHO PICKED UP SCRAPS OF MARTIAL ARTS HERE AND THERE.
PTUI!
HEH~ YOU AWAKE ALREADY?
YOU CAN TAKE A HIT PRETTY WELL~

YOU...
REALLY WANNA DIE, DON'T YA?
HUU...
AREN'T YOU PROUD OF YOURSELF THEN, GETTING KNOCKED OUT IN ONE SHOT BY THIS NEWBIE?
RETARD!
A BIG MISTAKE, PICKING A FIGHT...
SIGH
...WITH ME, KIM JUNG-WOO OF THE STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL.
HE'S NOT... GONNA USE A SWORD ON A WOMAN, IS HE??

LET ME TEACH YOU A LESSON!
SHOOOO
KUUK!
HMPH... JUST A NORMAL THRUST.
!
WHOOSH
SHUKAAAA
...!
JUST LIKE A DRAGON, SWIMMING THROUGH THE SKIES.
STABBING, SLICING, AND EVER-CHANGING.

BUT... THAT GIRL, SHE'S NO JOKE, EITHER.

WHAT SWORDSMANSHIP... AS EXPECTED OF OUR SA-HYUNG.

I'D SAY SHE'S INCREDIBLE. I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE ELSE DODGING SA-HYUNG'S BLADE LIKE THAT.

CHE! THAT CHANGING FORM IS HARDER TO DEAL WITH THAN I THOUGHT...
IF I DON'T PUT A LITTLE DISTANCE BETWEEN US...
JUST WHAT I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!
!

WHY... WHY AM I SEEING SUCH A SCENE, ONCE AGAIN?
I... I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE MURIM ANYMORE, RIGHT?

[*- "GUN RYONG CHOOL DONG": STRONG, DRAGON, GO FORTH, TO RISE SUDDENLY]
SHAA SHAA
SHAA SHAA
!
STRONG DRAGON SUDDEN OUTBURST*1
KUK!
SMIRK

PAM PA-PAM
OHH!
AH!
CHE!
TA-TAAT TAAT
!

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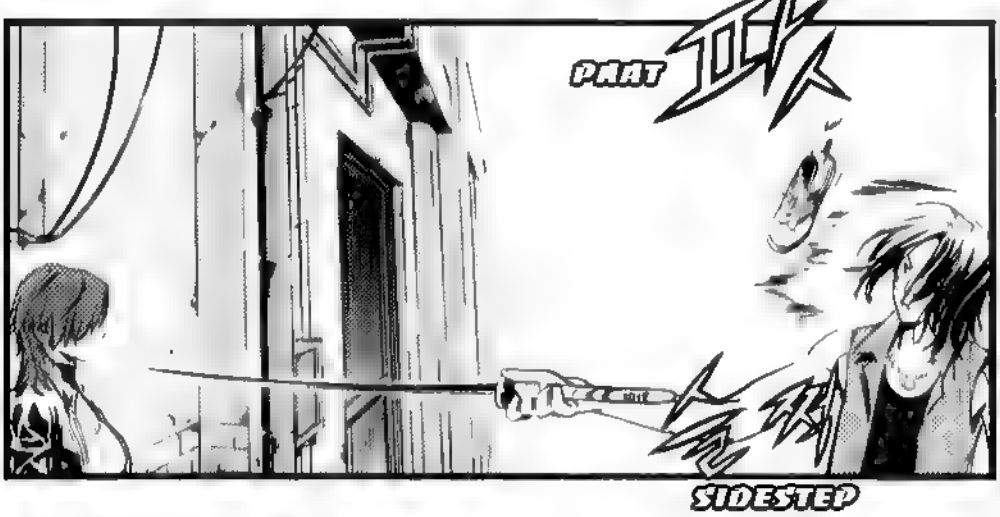
HMPH~ NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN TO, RIGHT?


PHAT
SIDESTEP

PLEASE GET AWAY!
HUH?

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?

FUCKIT... WHAT THE HELL?
AH...
UM... UM...
YOU SHOULDA RUN AWAY INSTEAD WHEN YOU HAD THE CHANCE. YOU THINK YOU CAN JUST BUTT IN LIKE THIS?!
SONUVABITCH! YOU NUTS? YOU WANNA DIE?
SHOCK
HEH~ NOW THAT I GET A GOOD LOOK... AREN'T YOU QUITE THE CUTIE?
.....

OF COURSE, YOU'LL TREAT US TO A DINNER AND A SHOW, RIGHT?
HOW ABOUT IT? IF YOU BEG, I MAY JUST SPARE YOUR LIFE.
SUUK
KEKEH~ OH GAWD, WHAT A NASTY HABIT, I TELL YA.
WHAT THE... WAS HE AIMING FOR THAT ALL ALONG?

YOU GUYS ARE HERE FOR ME, AREN'T YOU? IF YOU'VE GOT A BONE TO PICK WITH SOMEONE, I'M RIGHT HERE!
PLEASE... JUST STOP IT!
THAT'S RIGHT!
WHAT? SO YOU WANT TO FIGHT ME, IN HER PLACE... IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

KEKEH.
BASTARD STILL HAS THE BALLS TO ACT TOUGH IN FRONT OF A CHICK, HUH?
KEH.
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YOU THINK YOU CAN GET OUT OF THIS WITH EMPTY TALK?
OI! EVERYONE ALREADY KNOWS YOU CAN'T DO MARTIAL ARTS BECAUSE YOUR KI-CENTER IS DAMAGED.
!
JUST SIT TIGHT, AND WATCH ME SERVE UP THE MAIN COURSE, RIGHT HERE.
C'MERE! I'LL LET YOU SAY HI TO MY FISTS SOON ENOUGH!
ARGH.
GRAB
DASH
HEY! GRAB THE KID, AND SHOW HIM A GOOD TIME!
W-WAIT. I'M...

DAMN THAT LITTLE...
WHAT A NOISY DISTRACTION ...
STOP IT!
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS! I SWEAR!
HEY, AREN'T YOU LOOKING AT THE WRONG PERSON?
!

WHAAAAM

THE
BREAKER
New Waves

KAAAH!

YOU BITCH!
WHAM
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SHAA SHAA SHAA
NO MORE HOLDING BACK!
KAANG
HUH?

KUOOOOH
UH...
HUH...?

W-WHERE DID SHE...
SA-HYUNG! ABOVE YOU, UP ABOVE!

THUNDERBOLT STRIKE*!!
WHAAAM
["- "NAK NWEH GWON": DESCENDING, LIGHTNING, FIST]

BOOOM

PTUI!
SO, THIS IS THE STRONG DRAGON'S SWORD TECHNIQUE? AIN'T NOTHING SPECIAL ABOUT IT.
KER-CHUK
HAAH~?
YOU'LL KILL HIM?
D-DON'T MOVE! OR ELSE I'LL KILL HIM.
KUUK!
I-I'M SERIOUS! DON'T DO ANYTHING STUPID!

BAAM!

THEN KILL HIM!
EH... EH??

I SAID, WHY DON'T YOU KILL HIM THEN!!
!!

YO, GET UP.
THEN, WE'LL BE ON OUR WAY...
N-NO, MA'AM, I WAS JUST JOKING AROUND. HOW COULD I POSSIBLY... HAHA...
KICK KICK
TAKE THIS GARBAGE WITH YOU!
HEY!
SHOCK
깜짝
Y-YES, MA'AM!
AHO
ZOOOM

IT WAS IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT, BUT THE THUNDERBOLT STRIKE REALLY IS TOO MUCH FOR A DELICATE GIRL LIKE ME.
.....
Huu Huu

URGH~

WATCHOO LOOKIN' AT!
AH... NOTHING.

CHE! IF THEY HADN'T PULLED OUT THAT SWORD, I WOULD HAVE LEFT YOU ALONE TILL YOU WERE HALF-DEAD...

UM... THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR SAVING ME.
YEAH, YEAH. YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL.

JUST TALKING TO MYSELF, ALRIGHT?!
HUH?

EXCUSE ME, BUT WHO ARE YOU, AND WHY...
SCREECH
HUH?
YI SHIOON-NIM! ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

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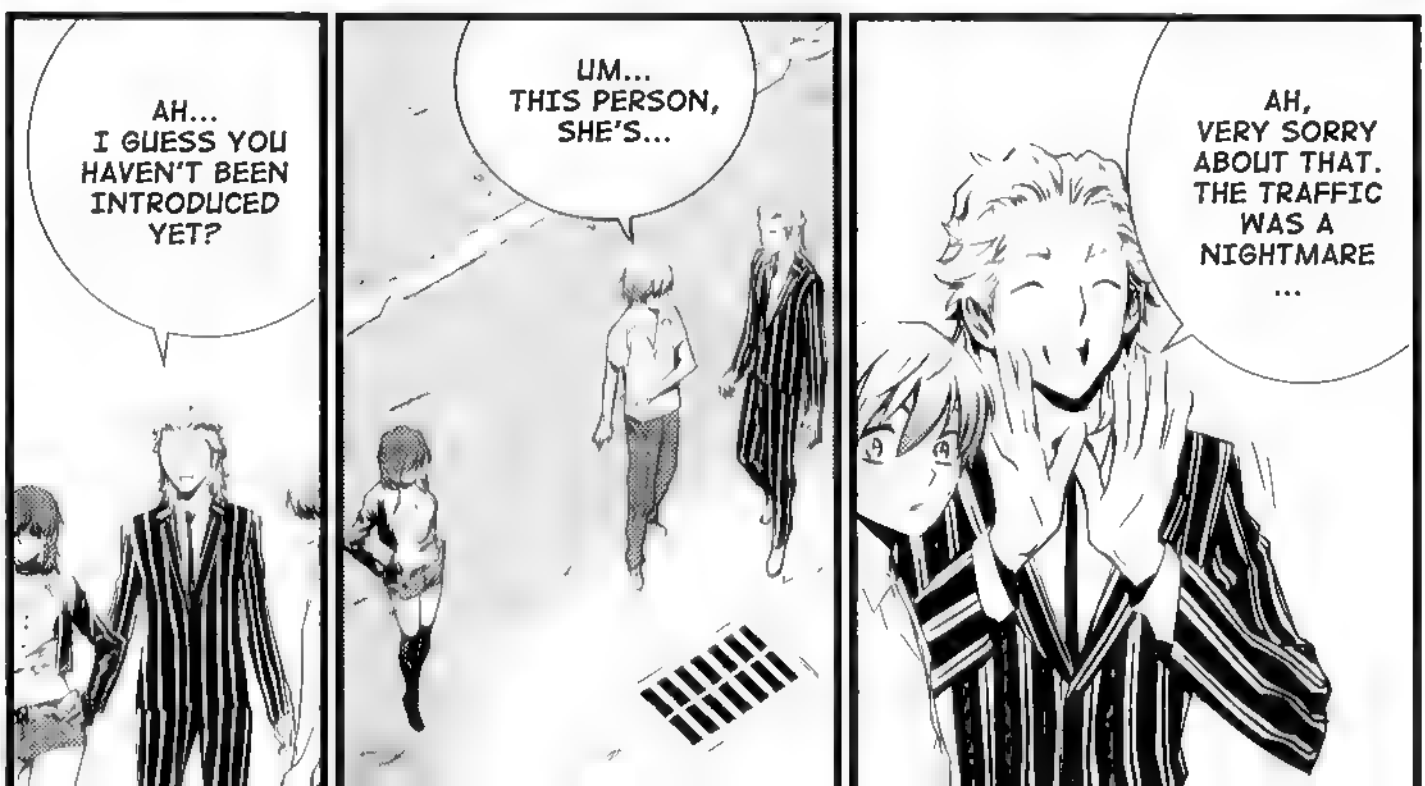
YOU'RE LATE! WE HAD A CLOSE CALL BACK THERE!
GYOO-BUM AHJUSSI??


AH... I GUESS YOU HAVEN'T BEEN INTRODUCED YET?
UM... THIS PERSON, SHE'S...
AH, VERY SORRY ABOUT THAT. THE TRAFFIC WAS A NIGHTMARE ...

EH? THE SUNWOO CLAN...?
LET ME INTRODUCE YOU. THIS IS MISS KWON JINIE.
SHE MAY BE YOUNG, BUT SHE'S TALENTED ENOUGH TO BE CONSIDERED ONE OF THE TOP RANKS OF THE SUNWOO CLAN.

*OLDER SISTER FROM A MALE POV

DOES THIS MEAN THAT OUR STORY ENDS HERE?

HOW COULD I POSSIBLY HOPE TO BRING SERA NOONA TO OUR SIDE, IF I CAN'T EVEN TAKE CARE OF THIS PROBLEM?
AH~ DON'T SAY THAT~

I'LL DEAL WITH IT, NICE AND NEAT. YOU CAN BE SURE OF THAT.

W-WHAT? ARE YOU SERIOUS?

YES. RIGHT NOW, WE'VE CONFIRMED ABOUT 3 OR 4 SCHOOLS.

I HEARD FROM MISS JINIE THAT THEY ATTACKED THIS MORNING, BUT I HAD NO IDEA THEY WOULD ACT SO BRAZENLY.
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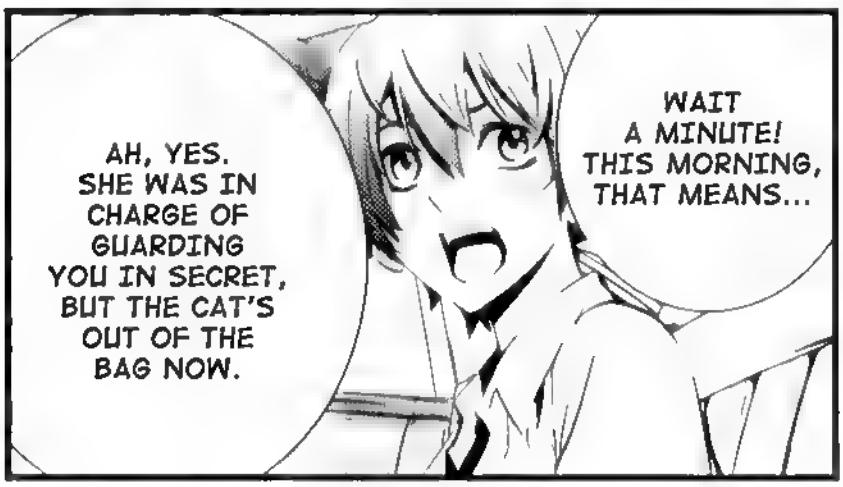
THEN, YOU GOT HURT THIS MORNING WHILE PROTECTING ME?


WAIT A MINUTE! THIS MORNING, THAT MEANS...
AH, YES. SHE WAS IN CHARGE OF GUARDING YOU IN SECRET, BUT THE CAT'S OUT OF THE BAG NOW.

AH... YES, MA'AM.
I WAS A LITTLE TIRED, SO I WAS JUST RESTING BACK THEN! YOU'D BETTER NOT SAY THAT KIND OF NONSENSE AGAIN, OR ELSE I'LL KILL YOU!

WHO SAID I GOT HURT, HUH?!

BUT HE'S NOT THE HEAD YET, IS HE?
UM, MISS JINIE, HE'S THE NEXT HEAD OF THE CLAN, SO PLEASE BE A LITTLE MORE RESPECTFUL ...

CLANK

!!

CREEEAK

CHE~
A CLAN HEAD WHO CAN'T DO ANY MARTIAL ARTS. HOW LOW HAS THE SUNWOO CLAN SUNK, SERIOUSLY...

SCRATCH SCRATCH

BUT ISN'T THAT WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP, MISS JINIE? WE HAVE TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO HELP SHIOON-NIM GET HIS MARTIAL ARTS BACK...

AH~ ANNOYING! SO ANNOYING!

HM?

AH, WE'VE ARRIVED.

EH...?

WELCOME, WELCOME.

NOW, THIS WAY PLEASE.

NO NEED TO BE THAT SURPRISED. THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY VILLAS OWNED BY THE SUNWOO CLAN.

V-VILLA, YOU SAY? THAT BUILDING OVER THERE?

WHOOOAAA~! W-WHAT THE HECK IS THIS PLACE?

ARE YOU SURE WE'RE IN THE SAME COUNTRY?

WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, YI SHIOON-NIM.

THE BREAKER
New Waves

ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE YOU. THESE GENTLEMEN ARE THE ELDERS OF THE SUNWOO CLAN.
IT'S AN HONOR. MY NAME IS MIN SA-OAK.
IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU. I AM KWON JAE-KYOO.
NOD
I'M JEON JANG-IL.
HONOURED TO MEET YOU.
I AM KIM SUL-JOONG.

H-HOW DO YOU DO, MY NAME IS YI SHIOON.
HAHA... YES, WE HAVE HEARD A LOT ABOUT YOU ALREADY.
IN ANY CASE, WE WELCOME YOU ON YOUR ARRIVAL HERE. NOW, WHY DON'T WE EAT, BEFORE WE START OUR TALK?
OI, I HEARD THE STORY MYSELF, BUT DOESN'T HE LOOK A LITTLE TOO FEEBLE?
AH... YES...

WHY?! DID I SAY SOMETHING WRONG?!
TSK! BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY, MAN!
HE MAY ONLY BE A TEMPORARY HEAD, BUT HOW CAN WE HAVE SUCH A WRETCHED-LOOKING BRAT FILLING IN...
I'M A DOUBTFUL MAN BY NATURE, SO WHY DON'T YOU JUST SHOW ME THE KEEPSAKE FIRST?
BUT AT A PLACE LIKE THIS...
LOOK HERE, JANG-IL!! WHERE ARE YOUR MANNERS?
OH, QUIT YER YAMMERING!
OI, LOOK HERE, BOY!
Y-YES?
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AND ISN'T IT MUCH EASIER IF WE FIRST CONFIRM WHAT NEEDS TO BE CONFIRMED?
AH, PLEASE EXCUSE MY RUDENESS. YOU MUST UNDERSTAND. I'M NORMALLY LIKE THIS, AREN'T I?

I, JEON JANG-IL, WILL ONLY BELIEVE MY OWN EYES, AND NOTHING ELSE!
UM, I'VE DEFINITELY CONFIRMED IT. PLUS, THE LADY AS WELL...
HEY! THAT MAY BE GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU, BUT NOT ME!

YES.
UH, BY KEEPSAKE, HE MEANS...?

YOU MEAN THIS?
PLEASE SHOW HIM THE PHOENIX MEDALLION THAT YOU BROUGHT.

OOOOOH~

SOSUL LEFT THIS IN MY KEEPING. AND GYOO-BUM AHJUSSI TOLD ME TO BRING IT, SO...
AH... THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. JUDGING BY ITS BRILLIANT RADIANCE AND QUALITY, IT'S MOST DEFINITELY THE SUNWOO CLAN'S...
MAY I EXAMINE IT CLOSELY?

WE, THE SUNWOO CLAN'S COUNCIL OF ELDERS, BOW BEFORE THE PROOF OF HEADSHIP!
!!
WE BOW BEFORE THE PROOF OF HEADSHIP.
CHE!

THIS PHOENIX MEDALLION IS THE SYMBOL OF THE FULL AUTHORITY OF THE SUNWOO CLAN HEAD. SEEING THE MEDALLION IS THE SAME AS MEETING THE HEAD HIMSELF.
UH, UM... WHAT IS THIS, ALL OF A SUDDEN...
!
WHAT?
IN SHORT, THE LEGITIMATE HOLDER OF THE PHOENIX MEDALLION ALSO HOLDS ALL THE POWERS OF THE SUNWOO CLAN HEAD.
ALL THE POWER AND AUTHORITY OF THE SUNWOO CLAN NOW REST WITH YOU, THE NEW CLAN HEAD.
S-SO, THAT'S WHAT THIS THING MEANS?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU THIS BEFORE? YI SHIOON-NIM, YOU ARE NOW THE NEW HEAD OF THE SUNWOO CLAN.

삐질
HEY, COULDN'T YOU PIPE DOWN WHILE TALKING TO YOURSELF?
CHE, THE SUNWOO CLAN WILL GO UNDER IN A FLASH, NOW THAT THIS BRAT IS IN CHARGE.
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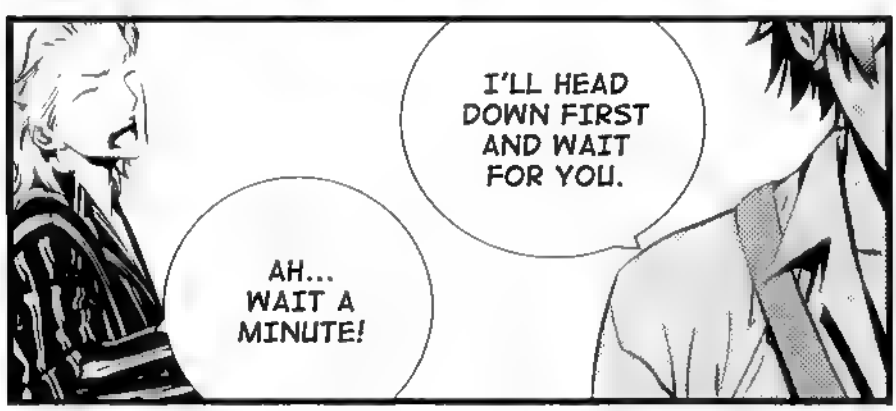
NO.
NOW THEN, LET US RETIRE TO THE TABLE, AND TALK ABOUT THE FUTURE...
WHAT?
THIS THING ISN'T MINE.

UM, THAT'S NOT WHAT HAPPENED...
IT'S TRUE THAT I GOT THIS FROM SOSUL. BUT SHE PROBABLY GAVE THIS AWAY WITHOUT KNOWING HOW IMPORTANT IT REALLY WAS.

HUH?
GYOO-BUM AHJUSSI, COULD YOU TAKE ME HOME?

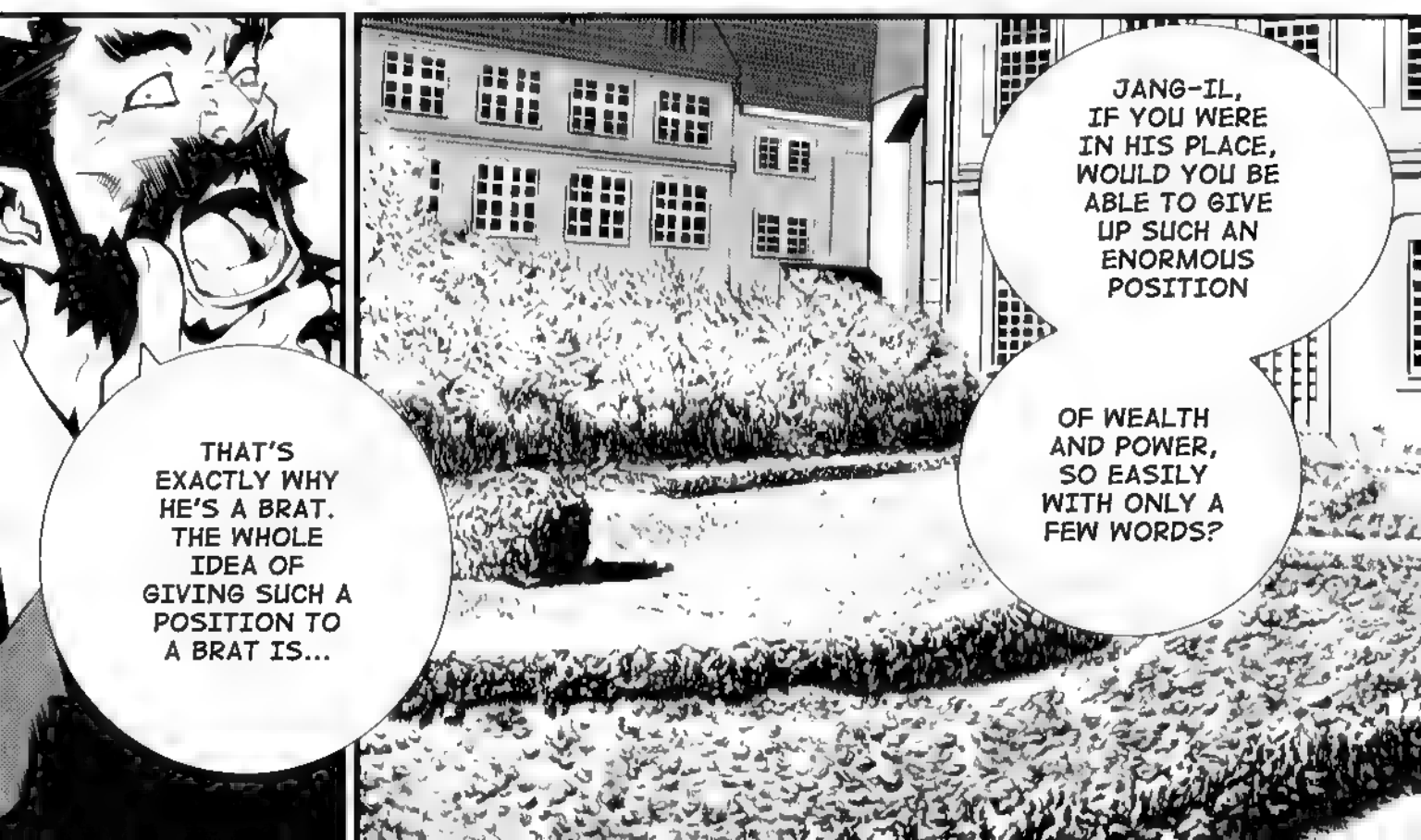

AH... WAIT A MINUTE!
I'LL HEAD DOWN FIRST AND WAIT FOR YOU.

I AM RETURNING IT TO YOU.

...
PLEASE WAIT! SHIOON-NIM!

THAT WON'T HAPPEN.
DARN IT! ISN'T THIS ALL BECAUSE OF YOU SAYING ALL THAT NEEDLESS STUFF?
EH? WHAT JUST HAPPENED HERE??
I DON'T CARE....
GOOD RIDDANCE, I SAY. IF HE'S GONNA GET HURT OVER A FEW WORDS, HE MIGHT AS WELL GIVE UP NOW.

THAT BOY WOULD HAVE REALIZED WHAT THE SUNWOO CLAN IS ALL ABOUT ON HIS JOURNEY HERE.


THAT'S EXACTLY WHY HE'S A BRAT. THE WHOLE IDEA OF GIVING SUCH A POSITION TO A BRAT IS...
JANG-IL, IF YOU WERE IN HIS PLACE, WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO GIVE UP SUCH AN ENORMOUS POSITION
OF WEALTH AND POWER, SO EASILY WITH ONLY A FEW WORDS?

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, ELDER KWON? SHALL WE BRING HIM BACK?
THE ASTUTE LADY SOSUL HANDPICKED HIM AS A SUBSTITUTE. I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIM, BUT I'D GUESS THAT HE'S NO PUSHOVER.
NO, IT SEEMS LIKE HE HASN'T MADE UP HIS MIND YET, SO LET'S GIVE HIM MORE TIME.

BESIDES, WE HAVE URGENT MATTERS OF OUR OWN TO DEAL WITH, DON'T WE?
OF COURSE...

THANKS FOR COMING.
I UNDERSTAND. THEN WE SHALL TAKE OUR LEAVE AT THIS TIME.
WE'VE MET HIM FACE-TO-FACE, SO WE'LL COUNT IT AS OUR OFFICIAL GREETING. AND WE'RE BOUND TO SEE HIM AGAIN SOON...

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HAHA... SO HE SAYS HE'S RETURNING THIS...
WHAT AN INTERESTING PERSON WE HAVE NOW AS THE HEAD.
SINCE HE, HIMSELF, REFUSES THE POSITION, WHY DON'T WE REJECT HIM?

I ALSO DON'T WANT TO KEEP CLEANING UP AFTER THAT LOSER.
DID I SAY I WANTED TO HEAR YOUR OPINION?

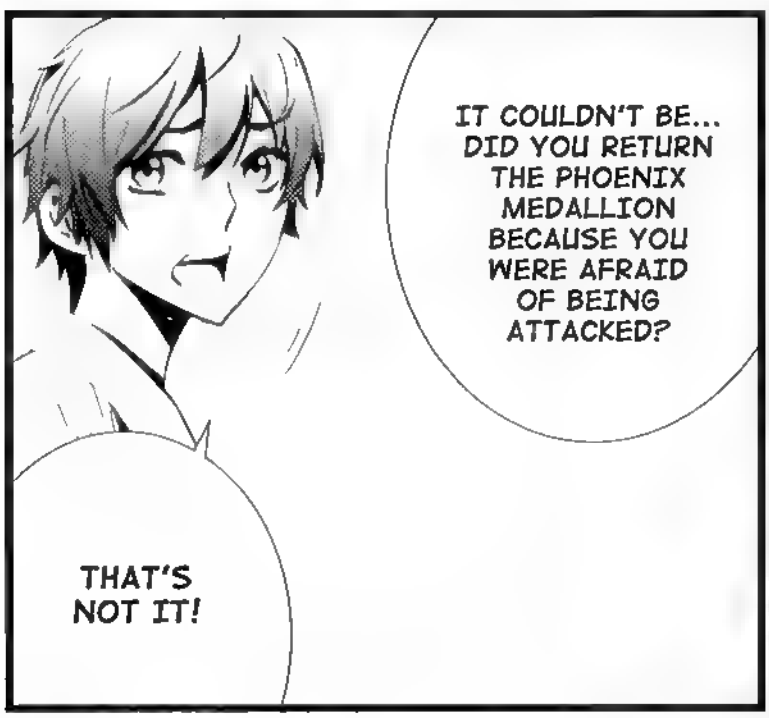
HAVE YOU ALREADY FORGOTTEN MY ORDER IN THIS SHORT TIME?
.....
CHE! I HAD NO CHOICE. THOSE BASTARDS PULLED OUT A SWORD WITHOUT ANY WARNING... I COULDN'T JUST LEAVE HIM ALONE.
MORE IMPORTANTLY, I'M CURIOUS AS TO WHY THAT KID DOESN'T LOOK AT ALL LIKE HE'S BEEN ROUGHED UP.

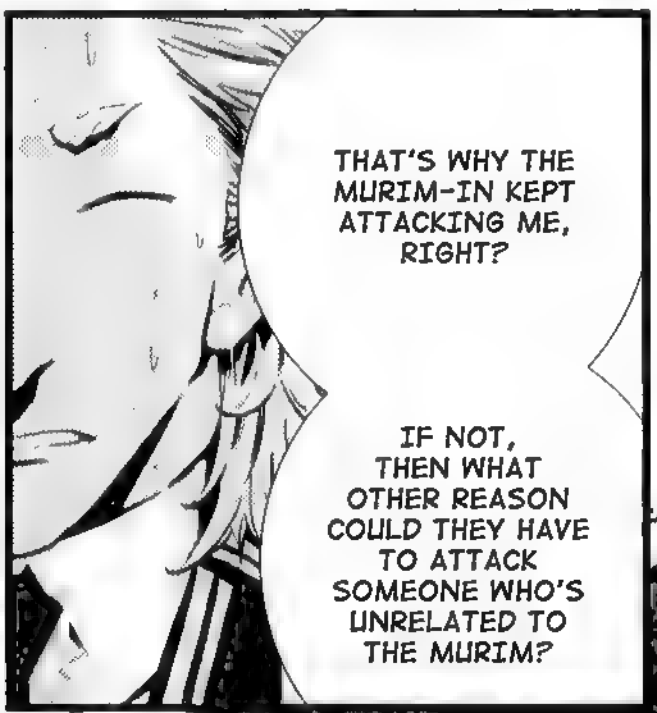
LEAVE HIM ALONE, EXCEPT DON'T LET HIM DIE! 'CUZ WE ONLY NEED THE TITLE OF THE CLAN HEAD!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND? YOU WILL SIMPLY OBSERVE HIM.
SHWAAAA
LEAVE HIM BE!

LEAVE HIM BE, UNTIL HE GETS PUSHED SO FAR INTO A CORNER!
UNTIL HE'S FALLEN SO DEEP, THAT HE BEGS THE SUNWOO CLAN TO SAVE HIS LIFE.
...
YOU CAN DO AT LEAST THAT MUCH FOR YOUR GRANDPA, CAN'T YOU, JINIE?

HEH!
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME.
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS, YI SHIOON-NIM?!
DO YOU STILL NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS TO BE THE HEAD OF THE SUNWOO CLAN?

WHAT?
IT WAS BECAUSE OF THE PHOENIX MEDALLION, WASN'T IT?

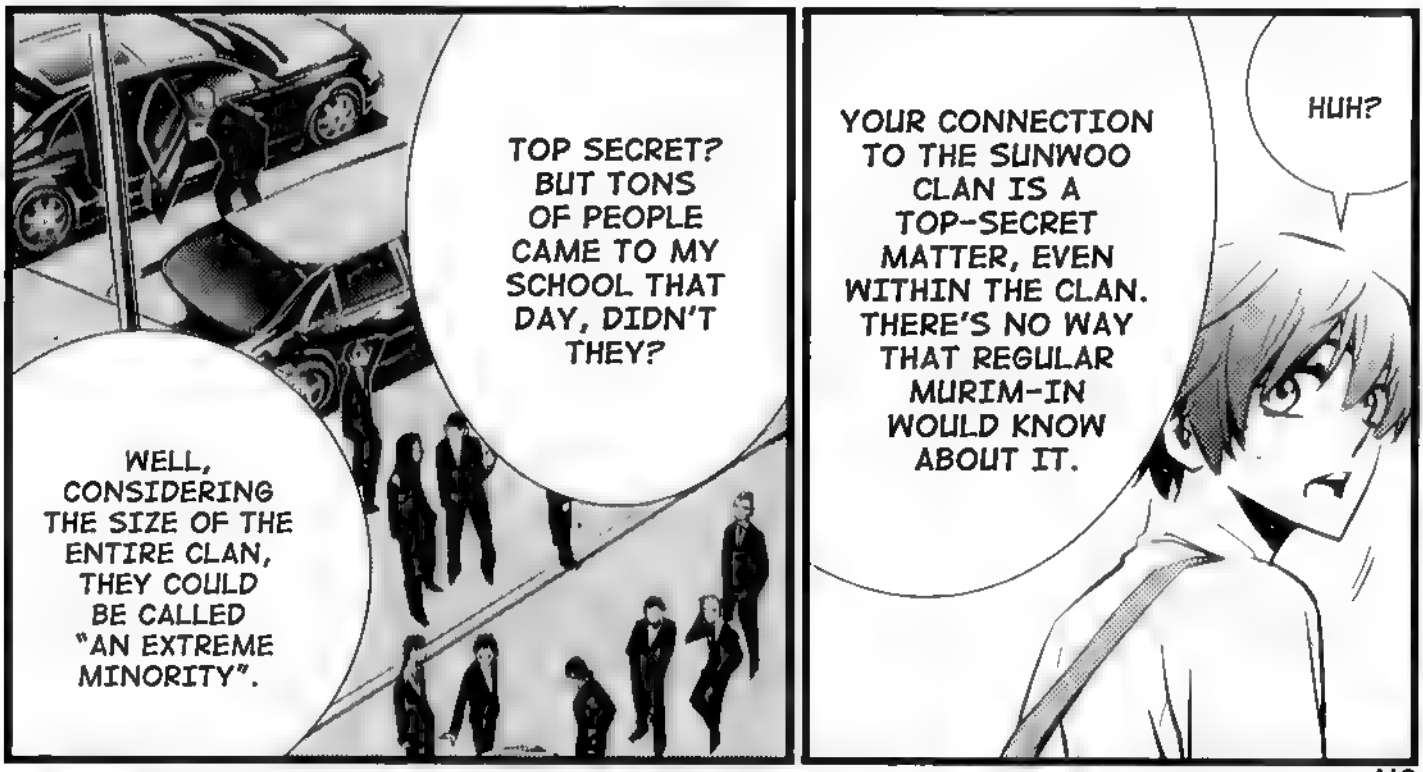

IT COULDN'T BE... DID YOU RETURN THE PHOENIX MEDALLION BECAUSE YOU WERE AFRAID OF BEING ATTACKED?
THAT'S NOT IT!


THAT'S WHY THE MURIM-IN KEPT ATTACKING ME, RIGHT?
IF NOT, THEN WHAT OTHER REASON COULD THEY HAVE TO ATTACK SOMEONE WHO'S UNRELATED TO THE MURIM?

THEN WHY...?
'CUZ, THAT MEDALLION IS MORE THAN I CAN HANDLE.

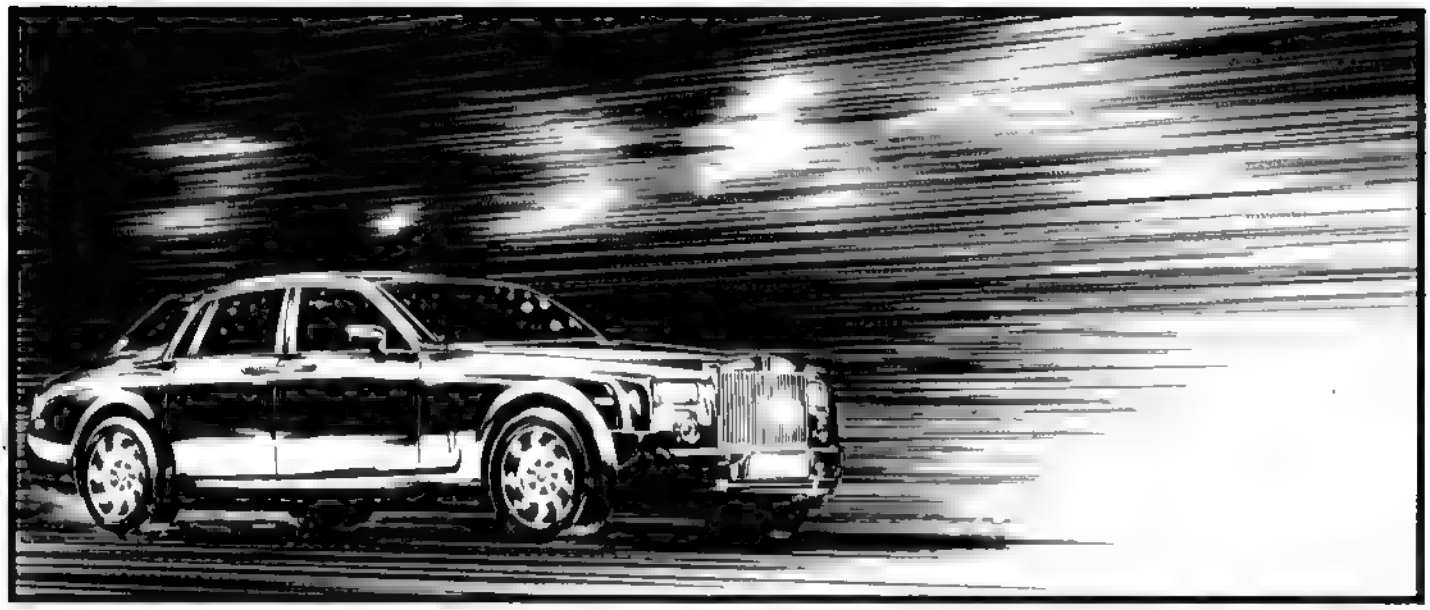
I SAW EXACTLY HOW GREAT THE SUNWOO CLAN IS. IF I WERE AFRAID, I WOULD INSTEAD WANT THE SUNWOO CLAN'S HELP.

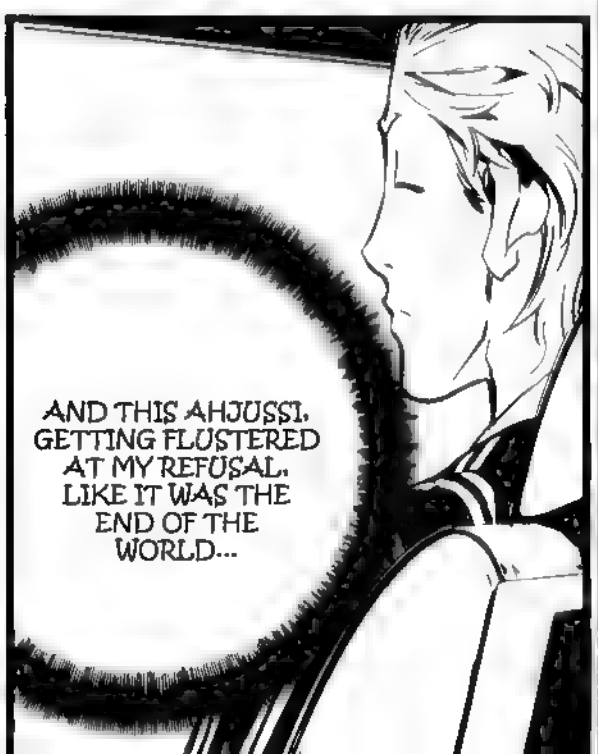
DOES IT EVEN MAKE SENSE FOR SOMEONE LIKE ME, WHO CAN'T EVEN LEARN MARTIAL ARTS, TO REPRESENT THIS GROUP?
I DON'T WANT TO GET GREEDY AND TAKE ON SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T FIT ME.
PLUS...
I CAN TELL THE SUNWOO CLAN IS VERY PRECIOUS TO THOSE PEOPLE. I THINK THEY CAN TAKE CARE OF THE CLAN BETTER THAN I CAN.
I THINK YOU'RE MISUNDERSTANDING SOMETHING; THE ATTACKS ON SHIOON-NIM HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THE PHOENIX MEDALLION.
!
IN ANY CASE, I'M GLAD I COULD RETURN THAT THING.
SINCE THIS MEANS I'VE CUT ALL POSSIBLE TIES TO THE MURIM.
SHIOON-NIM...


TOP SECRET? BUT TONS OF PEOPLE CAME TO MY SCHOOL THAT DAY, DIDN'T THEY?
WELL, CONSIDERING THE SIZE OF THE ENTIRE CLAN, THEY COULD BE CALLED "AN EXTREME MINORITY".
HUH?
YOUR CONNECTION TO THE SUNWOO CLAN IS A TOP-SECRET MATTER, EVEN WITHIN THE CLAN. THERE'S NO WAY THAT REGULAR MURIM-IN WOULD KNOW ABOUT IT.

RRRRING

FOR NOW, IT MAY BE NOTHING MORE THAN MERE COINCIDENCES, BUT...
ACCORDING TO MY INVESTIGATION, THOSE COMING AFTER YOU ALL HAVE HAD SOME CONNECTION TO GOOMOONRYONG.
I HAVE FOUND NO OTHER COMMONALITIES BETWEEN THEM.
YES... YES.
DID HE JUST ASK FOR MY PERMISSION ...?
I UNDER-STAND.
AH, MAY I...?
HUH? YES...
THAT WAS FROM THE ELDERS. THEY ASKED ME TO SEE YOU SAFELY BACK, NOW THAT THEY HAVE GREETED YOU.




AND THIS AHJUSSI, GETTING FLUSTERED AT MY REFUSAL. LIKE IT WAS THE END OF THE WORLD...

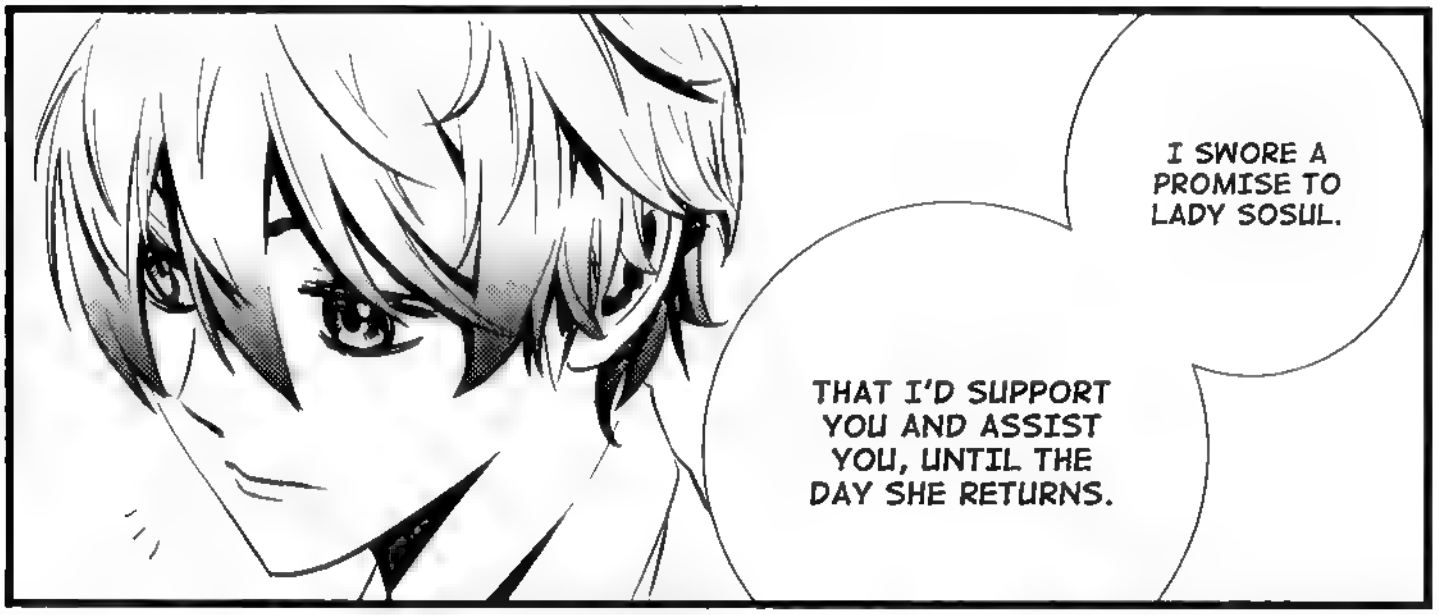
FROM SEEING THAT MANSION, OR THE PEOPLE, THE HEAD POSITION IS OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING ENORMOUS. SO WHY INSIST ON HAVING A KID LIKE ME...

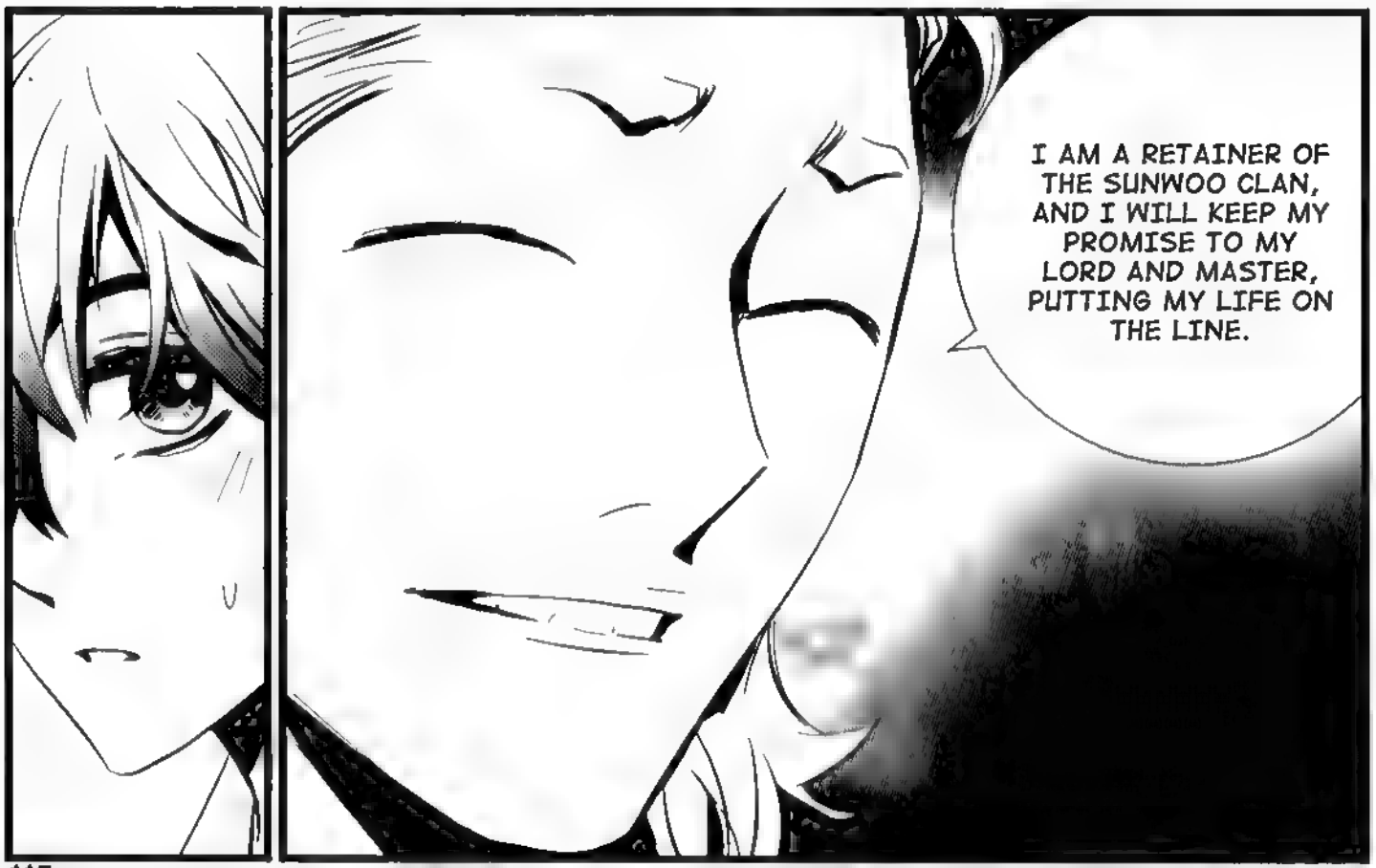
I HAVE NO CLUE WHAT THEYRE THINKING. I TOLD THEM CLEARLY THAT I DON'T WANT TO, BUT THEY WANT TO FORCE ME...

WE'VE ARRIVED, SHIOON-NIM.
AND HIS GRACIOUSNESS IS A LITTLE HARD TO GET USED TO.

!
SO, I SINCERELY HOPE YOU'D THINK CAREFULLY ABOUT IT.
I BELIEVE THE ELDERS WILL GIVE YOU MORE TIME TO RECONSIDER, FOR NOW.

GYOO-BUM AHJUSSI, IT'S STILL THE SAME NO MATTER HOW HARD I THINK ABOUT IT. I DON'T WANT TO BECOME A CLAN HEAD, OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.


I SWORE A PROMISE TO LADY SOSUL.
THAT I'D SUPPORT YOU AND ASSIST YOU, UNTIL THE DAY SHE RETURNS.


I AM A RETAINER OF THE SUNWOO CLAN, AND I WILL KEEP MY PROMISE TO MY LORD AND MASTER, PUTTING MY LIFE ON THE LINE.

UNDERCOVER SECURITY?
NOW THAT WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN DANGER,
YOU WILL HAVE MORE UNDERCOVER SECURITY, STARTING TOMORROW.
OH, YES.
YOU'VE HAD A ROUGH DAY. I WISH YOU A PEACEFUL NIGHT.
YES, THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING.

[T/N: NOT A TYPO; THIS IS HER UNDERCOVER NAME.]
EVERYONE, THIS IS THE NEW TRANSFER STUDENT, MISS KWON JIN-HEE*.
SLUMP-
LOOKS LIKE A TOTAL DELINQUENT, RIGHT?
SHE'S BEEN LIVING OVERSEAS, SO SHE'LL NEED A LOT OF HELP....
THIS SCENE... WHY DOES IT SEEM SO FAMILIAR?
YO! WHAT'S UP WITH HER?
WHISPER WHISPER

take
ICE CREAM PARTY
CREAM PART
THE BREAKER
New Waves

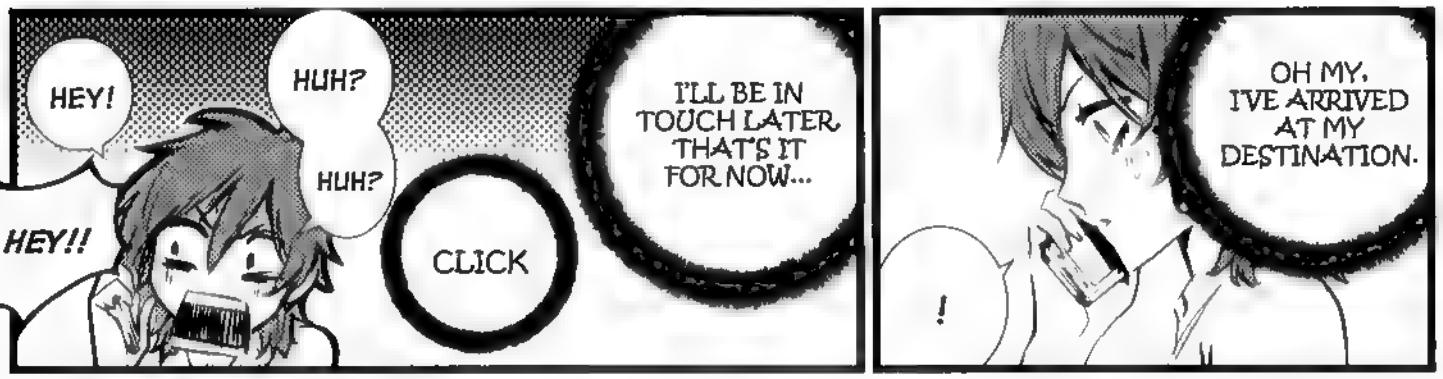
THIS WAS THE EMERGENCY YOU MENTIONED?!

AH, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU ARRIVED ON TIME.
DON'T CHANGE THE SUBJECT!

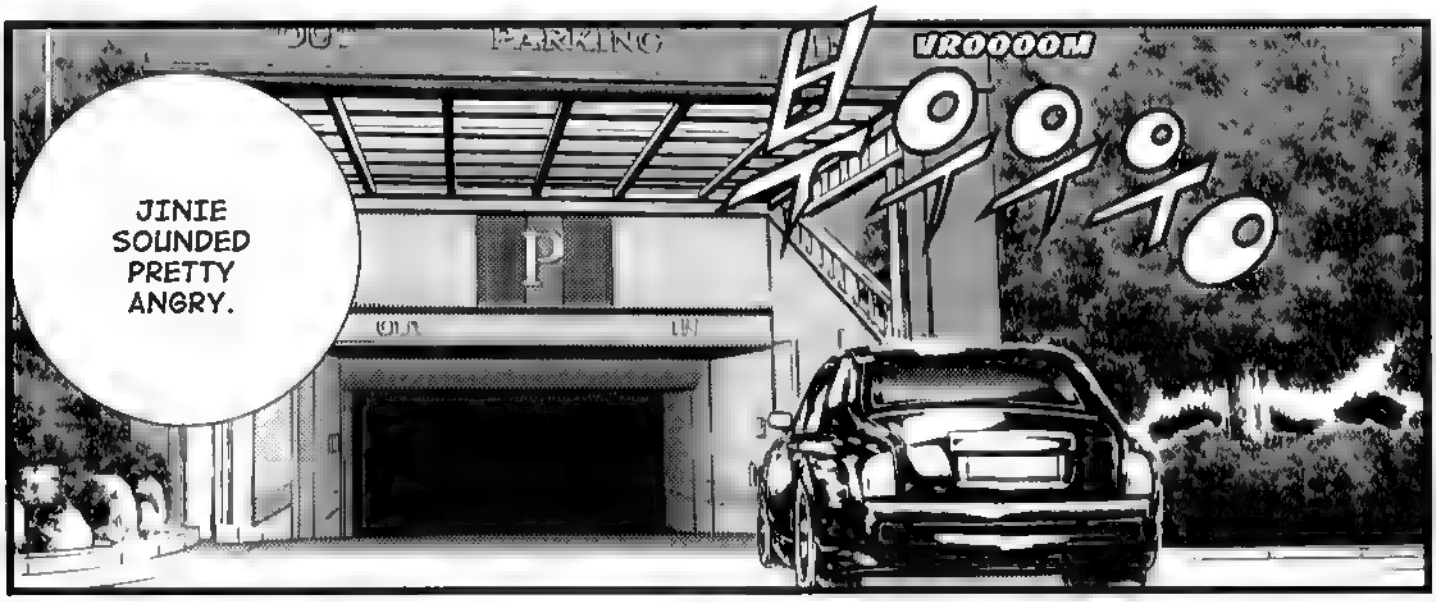
I'M WARNING YOU, DEAL WITH THIS PROBLEM, OR ELSE I'M GONNA...

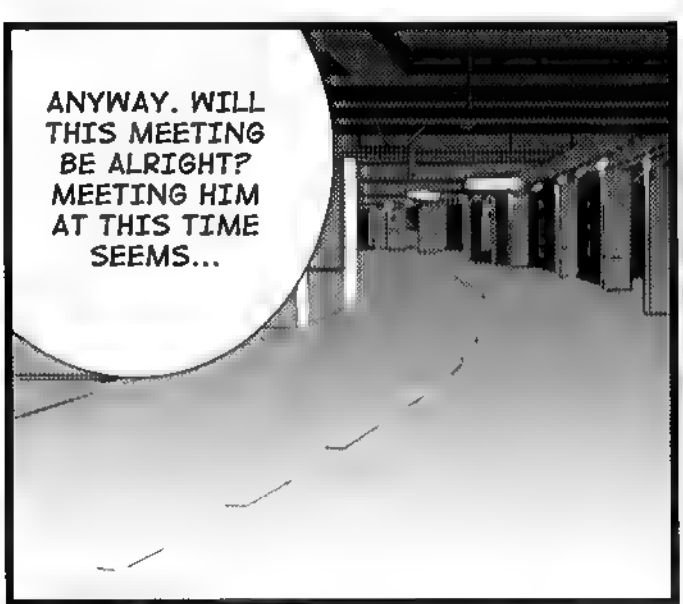
YOU NEVER KNOW WHETHER INSIDERS MIGHT TARGET SHIOON-NIM FROM WITHIN THE SCHOOL...
DAMN YOU~ YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE!

YOU WANNA DIE?!
I'VE BEEN DOING MY JOB WELL, HAVEN'T I?
SO WHY DO I HAVE TO WEAR A SCHOOL UNIFORM NOW?!

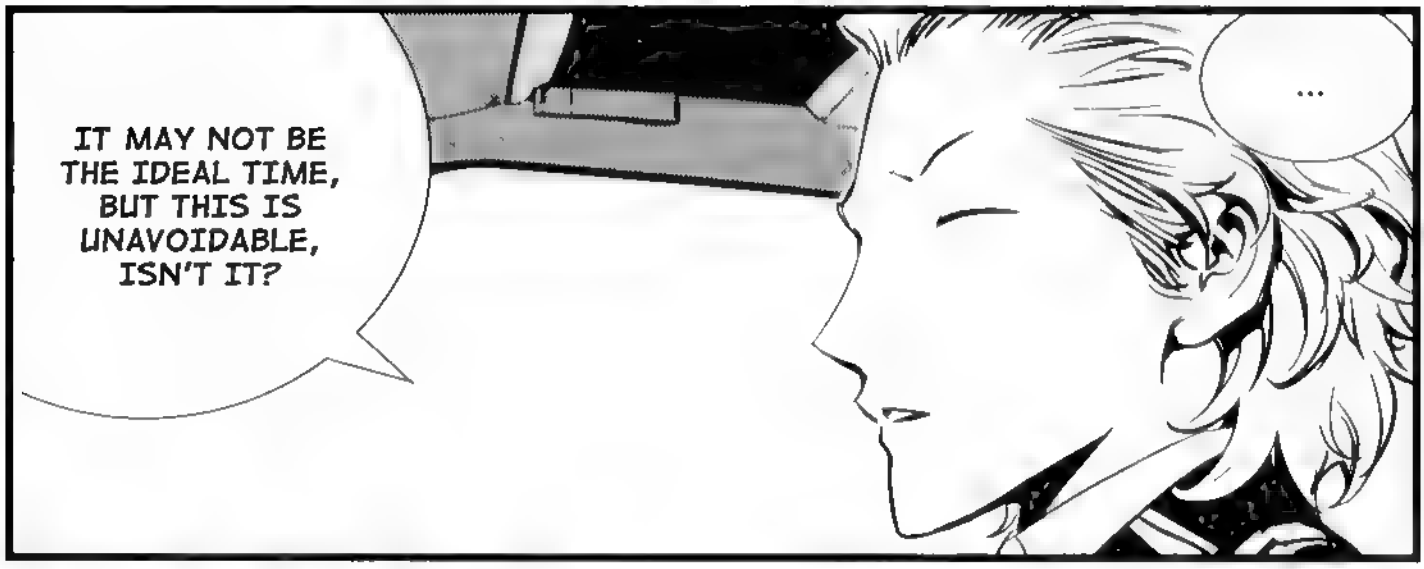

HEY!
HUH?
HUH?
HEY!!
CLICK
I'LL BE IN TOUCH LATER. THAT'S IT FOR NOW...
OH MY. I'VE ARRIVED AT MY DESTINATION.
!

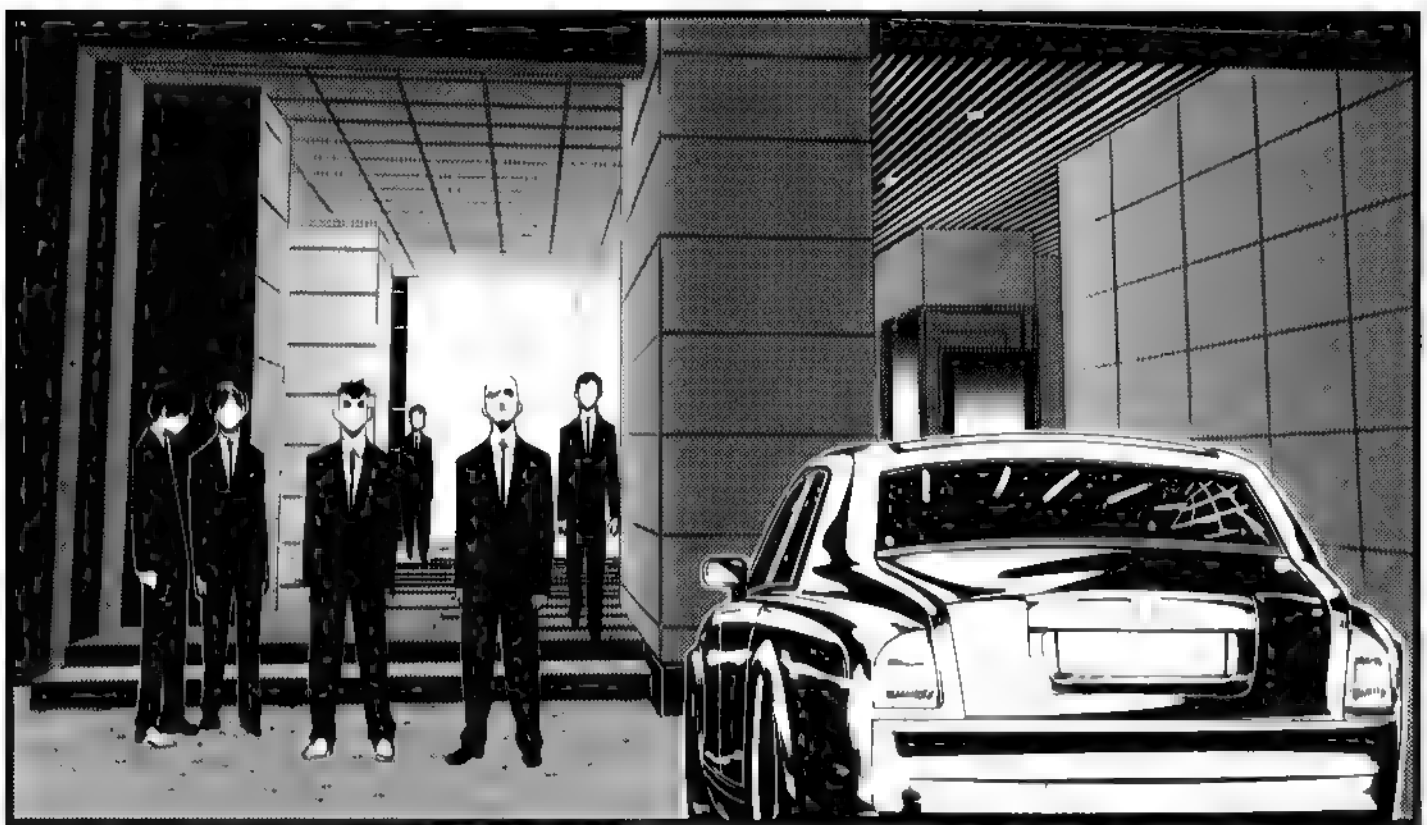
RAWWWRRR~
I'M GONNA PLUCK OUT ALL YOUR GREASY HAIR!
GAAAH~! THAT SLY BASTARD, WAIT TILL I GET MY HANDS ON YOU!


VROOOOM
JINIE SOUNDED PRETTY ANGRY.


ANYWAY. WILL THIS MEETING BE ALRIGHT? MEETING HIM AT THIS TIME SEEMS...

SHE'D BE PRETTY CUTE, IF ONLY SHE'D FIX THAT NASTY TEMPER OF HERS.
HAHA...





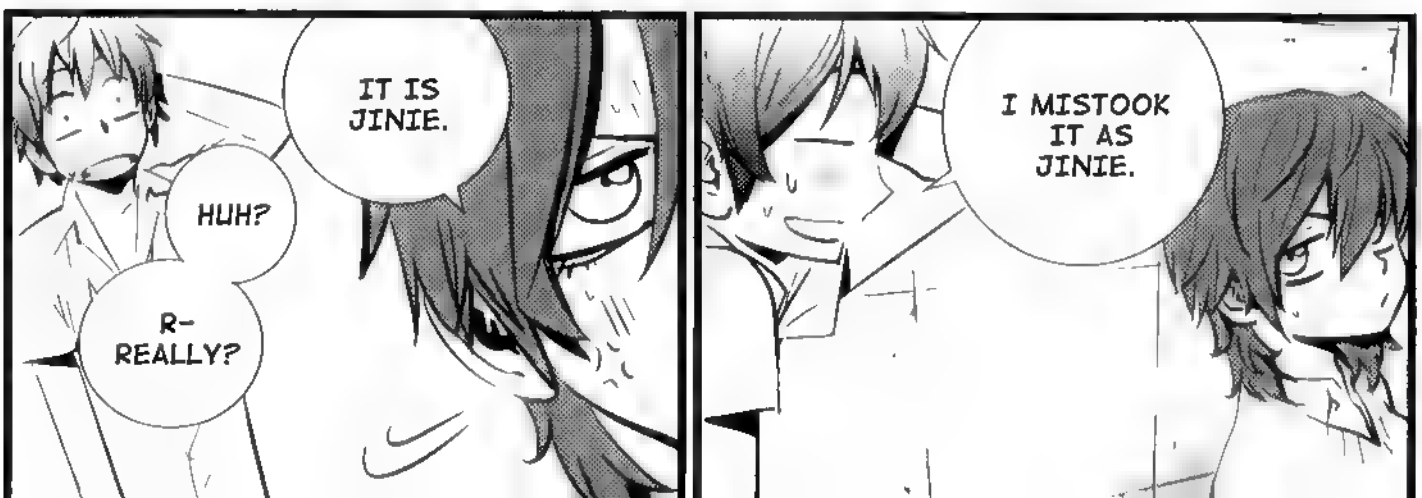
[*- "NAM JEOK SEONG" - YI GYOO-BUM'S TITLE AS ONE OF THE "FOUR SUPERNOVAS", AN ELITE GROUP OF FOUR MARTIAL ARTISTS]

AH, WAIT A SECOND.
THAT WOULD BE ME.
KNOCK KNOCK
OTHERS WILL HAVE TO WAIT HERE. PLEASE GO UP ALONE.
ENTER.
!!
CREEEAK

[*- SIGNIFIES "OLDER BROTHER" OR SOMEONE OF HIGHER RANK/STATUS IN MURIM]
KANGSUNG DEHYUNG*... NO, I MEAN,
I HOPE YOU HAVE BEEN WELL?
CHIEF OF THE MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE, SIR.

I WAS PLANNING ON WATCHING THIS KID GET INTO DEEP TROUBLE BEFORE RESCUING HIM!
DARN THIS UNDERCOVER SECURITY...
CHE, HE REALLY GOT ME THIS TIME.
AT THIS RATE, GRANDPA'S ORDER WON'T ...
HM?

SO YOUR NAME WAS JIN-HEE?
UH, NOTHING.
WHATCHA STARIN' AT!

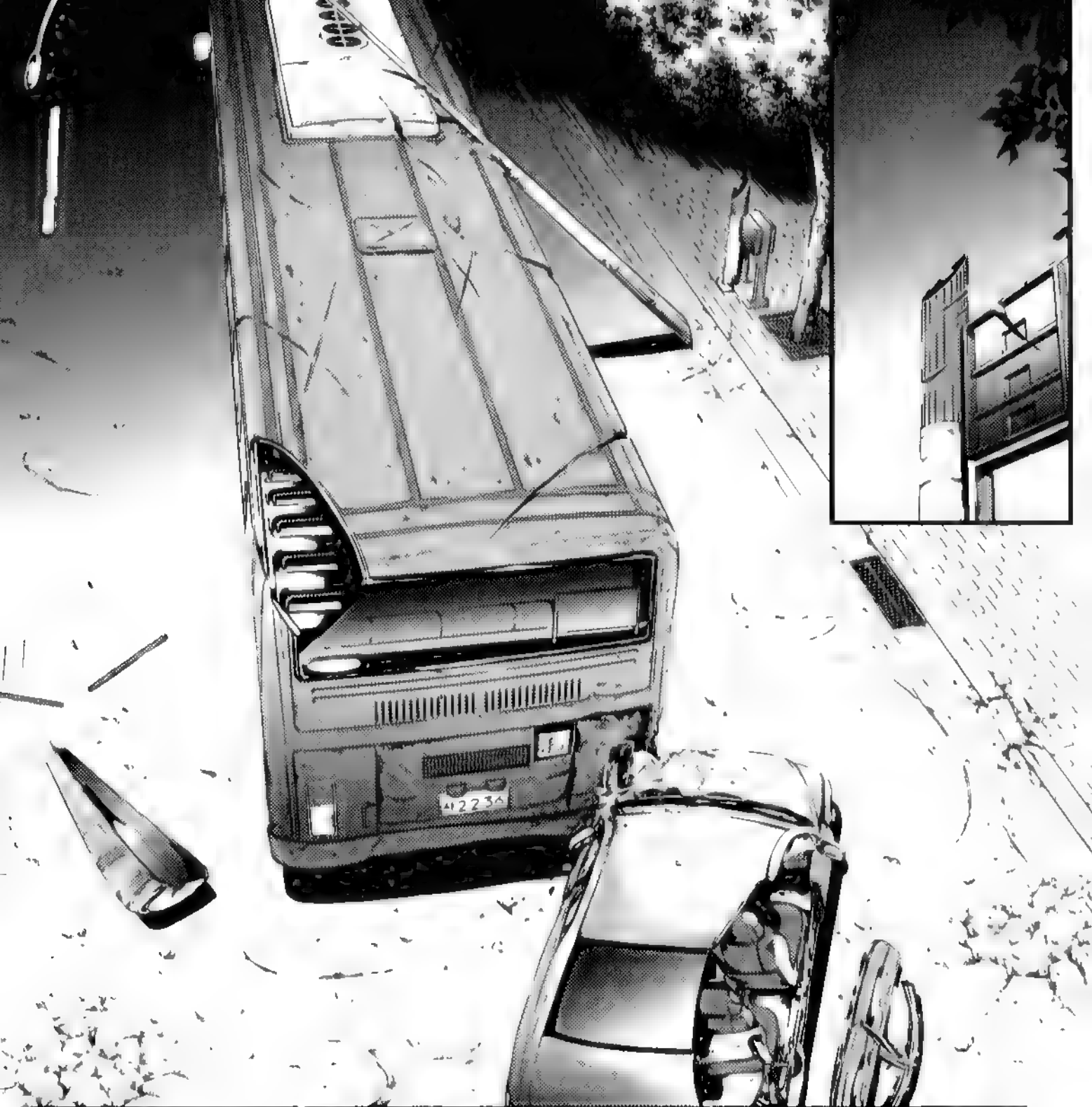

IT IS JINIE.
HUH?
R- REALLY?
I MISTOOK IT AS JINIE.

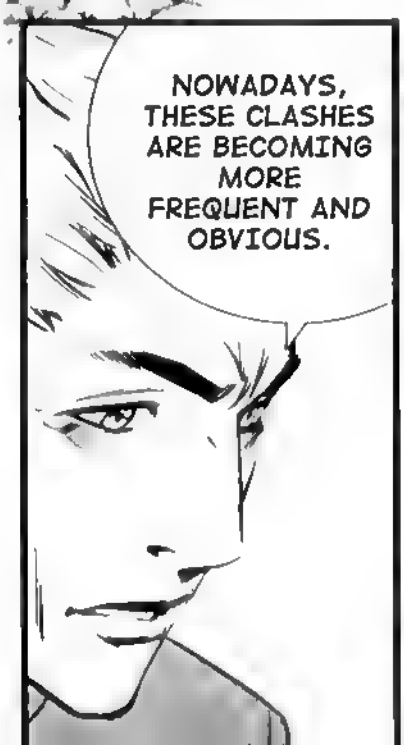
ANYWAY...
I HOPE WE CAN GET ALONG, NOW THAT WE'RE CLASSMATES.
DON'T GET CUTE WITH ME.
JUST BECAUSE WE'RE THE SAME AGE, YOU THINK THAT WE'RE ON THE SAME LEVEL??
AHJUSSI, WHY IN THE WORLD DID YOU SEND HER HERE?
IN ANY CASE, STAY WITHIN MY SIGHTS FROM NOW ON.
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT GOING OFF ON YOUR OWN.
UH... YEAH...
A TOTAL LOSER, LIKE YOU?!
TAKE THAT HAND WAY BEFORE I SNAP IT OFF!

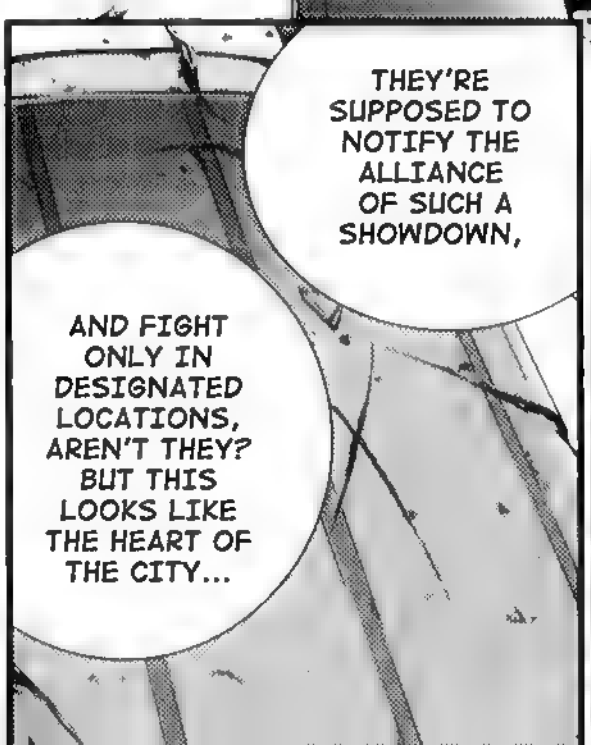
IS THAT SO?
EVEN IF IT'S YOUR REQUEST, THAT IS BEYOND MY ABILITY, KANGSUNG DEHYUNG.
I'M VERY SORRY.

WELL...
I KNEW IT'D BE A STRETCH, CONSIDERING THE BAD BLOOD BETWEEN OUR GROUPS...
EVEN NOW, THE SUNWOO CLAN LACKS THE STRENGTH TO REBUILD ITSELF FROM ITS SPLINTERS. TO HELP THE ALLIANCE IN OUR STATE WOULD BE...

!
WOULD YOU TAKE A LOOK AT THESE PHOTOS?
HOWEVER, WE HAVE OUR REASON FOR MAKING SUCH A SHAMELESS REQUEST.



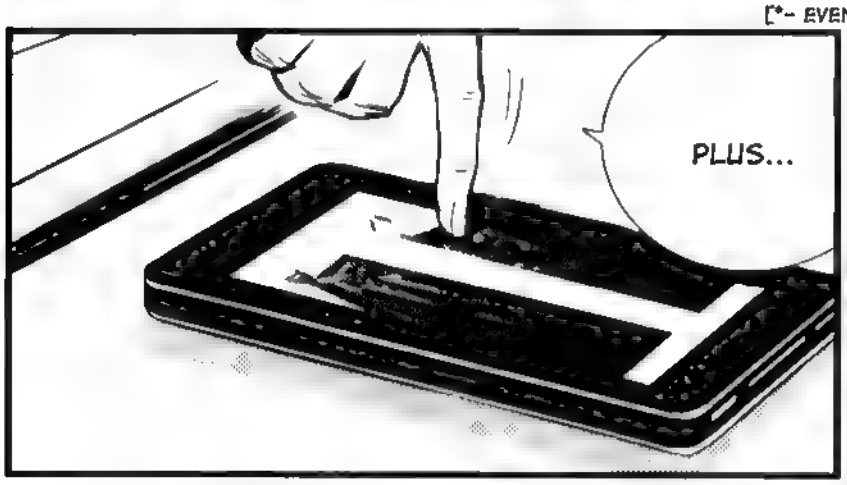

NOWADAYS, THESE CLASHES ARE BECOMING MORE FREQUENT AND OBVIOUS.

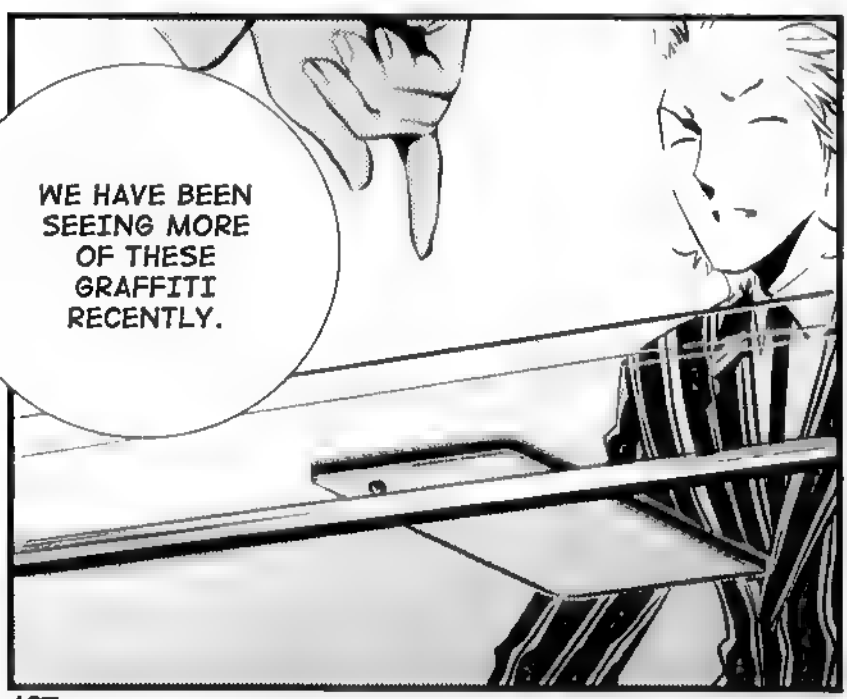

THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO NOTIFY THE ALLIANCE OF SUCH A SHOWDOWN,
AND FIGHT ONLY IN DESIGNATED LOCATIONS, AREN'T THEY? BUT THIS LOOKS LIKE THE HEART OF THE CITY...

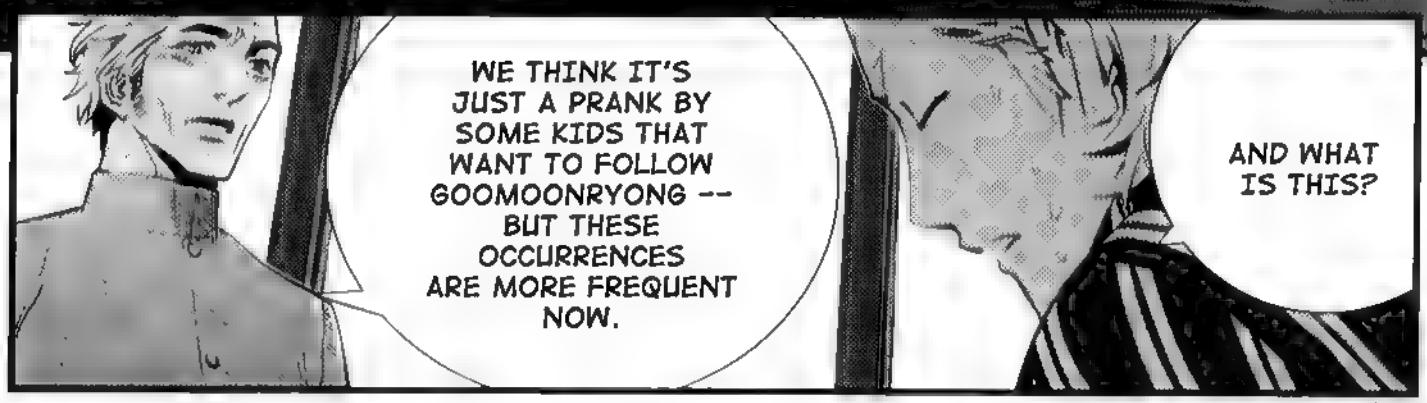
COULD THIS BE, PERHAPS...?
THAT'S RIGHT. THE AFTERMATH OF A FIGHT BETWEEN MURIM-IN.

LUCKILY, THIS CLASH TOOK PLACE AT DAWN, WITH FEW WITNESSES. WE MANAGED TO CLAMP DOWN ON THE MASS MEDIA,
BUT WE MAY NOT BE SO LUCKY IN THE FUTURE.
IS THIS OKAY? IF REGULAR FOLKS HAD WITNESSED IT, THEN...

[*- EVENTS INVOLVING GOOMOONRYONG, AT END OF PART 1]





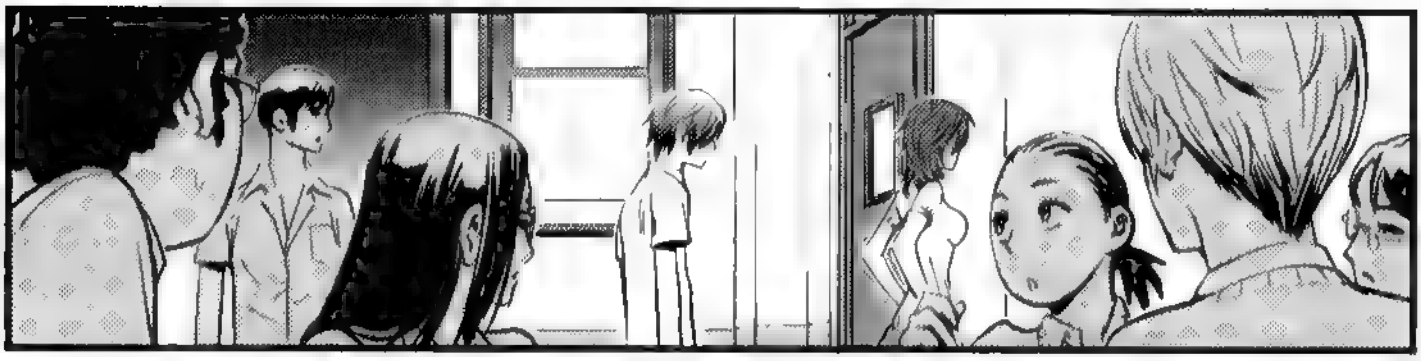

WE THINK IT'S JUST A PRANK BY SOME KIDS THAT WANT TO FOLLOW GOOMOONRYONG -- BUT THESE OCCURRENCES ARE MORE FREQUENT NOW.
AND WHAT IS THIS?

THAT'S EXACTLY MY WORRY.
THE ALLIANCE HAS BEEN SERVING AS BORDER PATROL ALL THIS TIME. HOWEVER, WE ARE QUICKLY LOSING OUR STRENGTH.
EVEN IF IT IS A PRANK, WOULDN'T SOMETHING THIS NOTICEABLE VIOLATE THE SEPARATION BETWEEN THE REGULAR WORLD AND THE MURIM?

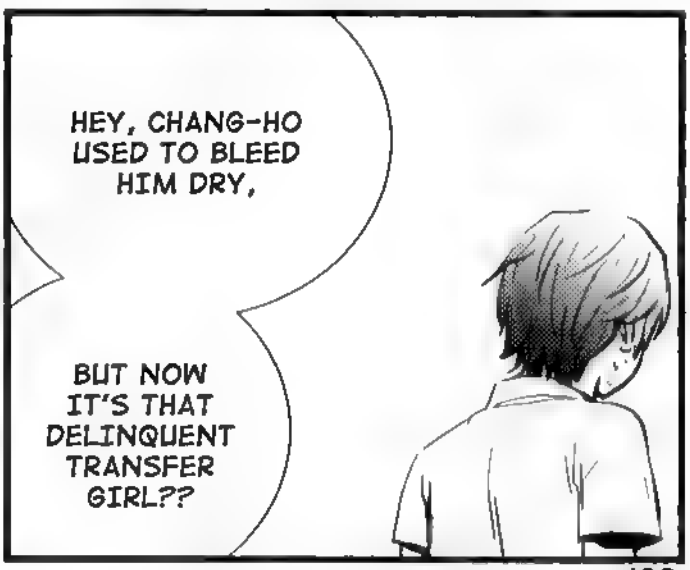
AT THIS RATE,
WE WON'T BE ABLE TO AVOID A COLLISION BETWEEN THE MURIM AND THE REGULAR WORLD.

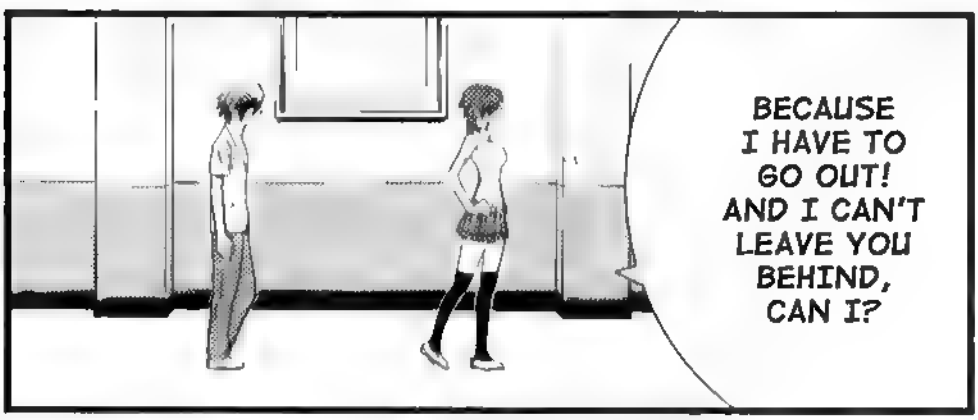
AH... O-OKAY.

OI, LET'S GO.



[*- ORIGINALLY, "BREAD SHUTTLE", PROB. CUZ BULLIES WOULD SEND THE STOOGE TO BUY THEIR LUNCH / BREAD FROM CAFETERIA]





THE LOOKS THEY GIVE ME, LIKE I'M SOME DELINQUENT.
"DID YOU DYE YOUR HAIR?"... OR "IS THAT A PERM?"... LIKE THAT...
'CUZ IT'S UNCOMFORTABLE.
HM? WHAT IS?

BUT I'M NATURALLY LIKE THIS, Y'KNOW?
EH?! REALLY?!
THEN DON'T COLOUR OR PERM YOUR HAIR. IT'S SIMPLE AS THAT.

UNLESS ONE OF YOUR PARENTS IS FROM OVERSEAS, OR SOMETHING...
빠직
SNAP
AMAZING. SO YOU'RE A NATURAL REDHEAD... THAT'S VERY RARE, ISN'T IT?

AH, SHIOON. WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE?
WHOA! W-WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
GAWD!! DON'T BE SO ANNOYING. AND WHY AM I GETTING THE THIRD DEGREE, HUH?!
WHO IS SHE...?
OH, YEAH... SHE'S A NEW TRANSFER STUDENT, HER NAME IS KWON JINIE.
UM... YOU TWO WEREN'T FIGHTING OR SOMETHING, WERE YOU?
OH... SAEHEE.

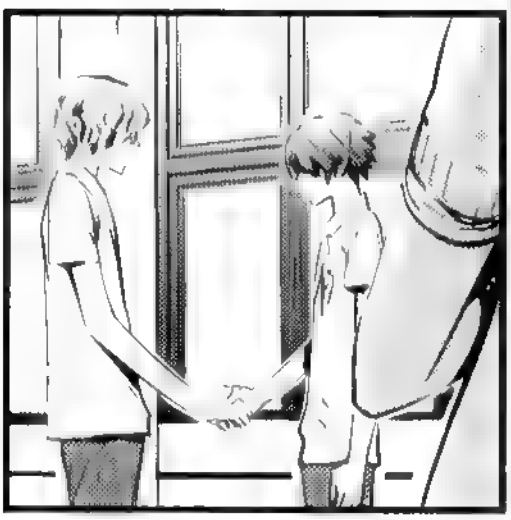
.....
REALLY? YOU BECAME FRIENDS SO QUICKLY, HUH?
CHE.
N-NO WAY. WE WERE JUST TALKING.
ANYWAY, ISN'T IT STRANGE? THERE ARE SO MANY TRANSFER STUDENTS COMING IN.
CLAMOR CHATTER
KYAAH~~
HAHA~
EH?
YUP. HE'S A TOTAL HEART-THROB. HEART-THROB~~
THEN... YOUR CLASS, TOO...?

EH? REALLY??
KYAHAHA~~ YOU'RE SO FUNNY~
HUH?
THAT'S HIM! THAT'S THE TRANSFER STUDENT.
HUH? WHAT'S UP WITH THAT SLEAZY GUY?

HM?
DO GIRLS LIKE GUYS LIKE HIM?
WHAT ABOUT IT? HE'S GOOD-LOOKING, RIGHT?
YOU'RE SAEHEE, RIGHT?
AND WHO'S HE?
WHOA~ SO YOU REMEMBERED.
...
HUH? YOU KNOW MY NAME?
WE JUST GREETED EACH OTHER IN THE CLASSROOM.

AH, THIS IS MY FRIEND, YI SHIOON.

Y-YEAH...
I'M
YI SHIOON.

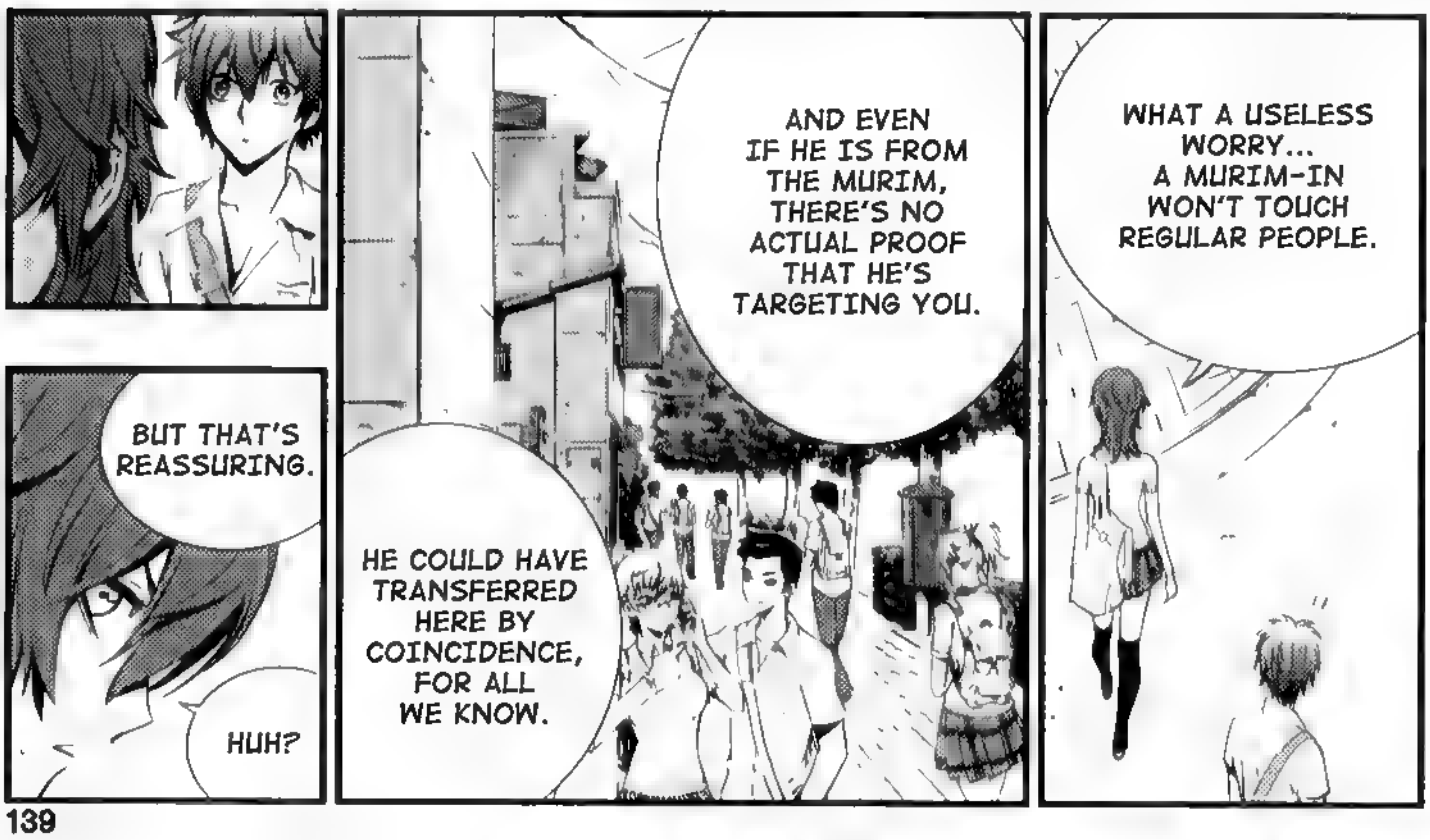


AND THIS IS THE TRANSFER STUDENT FROM OUR CLASS...
PLEASED TO MEET YOU, MY NAME IS YOO JI-GUN.

THE BREAKER
New Waves

YOU MEAN, HIM?
YEAH, SO JUST KEEP THAT IN MIND.
THEN... NO WAY! THEN THAT GUY IS ALSO A MURIM-IN?
BUT THE TIMING OF HIS TRANSFER IS STRANGE, AND SOMETHING'S DEFINITELY FISHY. SO JUST BE CAREFUL, GOT IT?
UH... YEAH.
UNLESS YOU'RE A TOP-LEVEL MASTER, IT'S HARD TO TELL WHETHER THE OTHER PERSON IS A MURIM-IN OR NOT -- AND ESPECIALLY NOT AT MY LEVEL!
GODDAMMIT~ I SAID I'M NOT SURE!

[*- KARAOKE PLACE WITH PRIVATE ROOMS, POPULAR FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT]


BUT THAT'S REASSURING.
HUH?
HE COULD HAVE TRANSFERRED HERE BY COINCIDENCE, FOR ALL WE KNOW.
AND EVEN IF HE IS FROM THE MURIM, THERE'S NO ACTUAL PROOF THAT HE'S TARGETING YOU.
WHAT A USELESS WORRY... A MURIM-IN WON'T TOUCH REGULAR PEOPLE.

DON'T JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS! IT'S BECAUSE I'LL BE IN TROUBLE IF THEY GET YOU AT SCHOOL.
!
AH, SO MESSED UP. HE JUST KEEPS SWEET-TALKING WHENEVER HE GETS A CHANCE.
D-DID I SAY SOMETHING WRONG?
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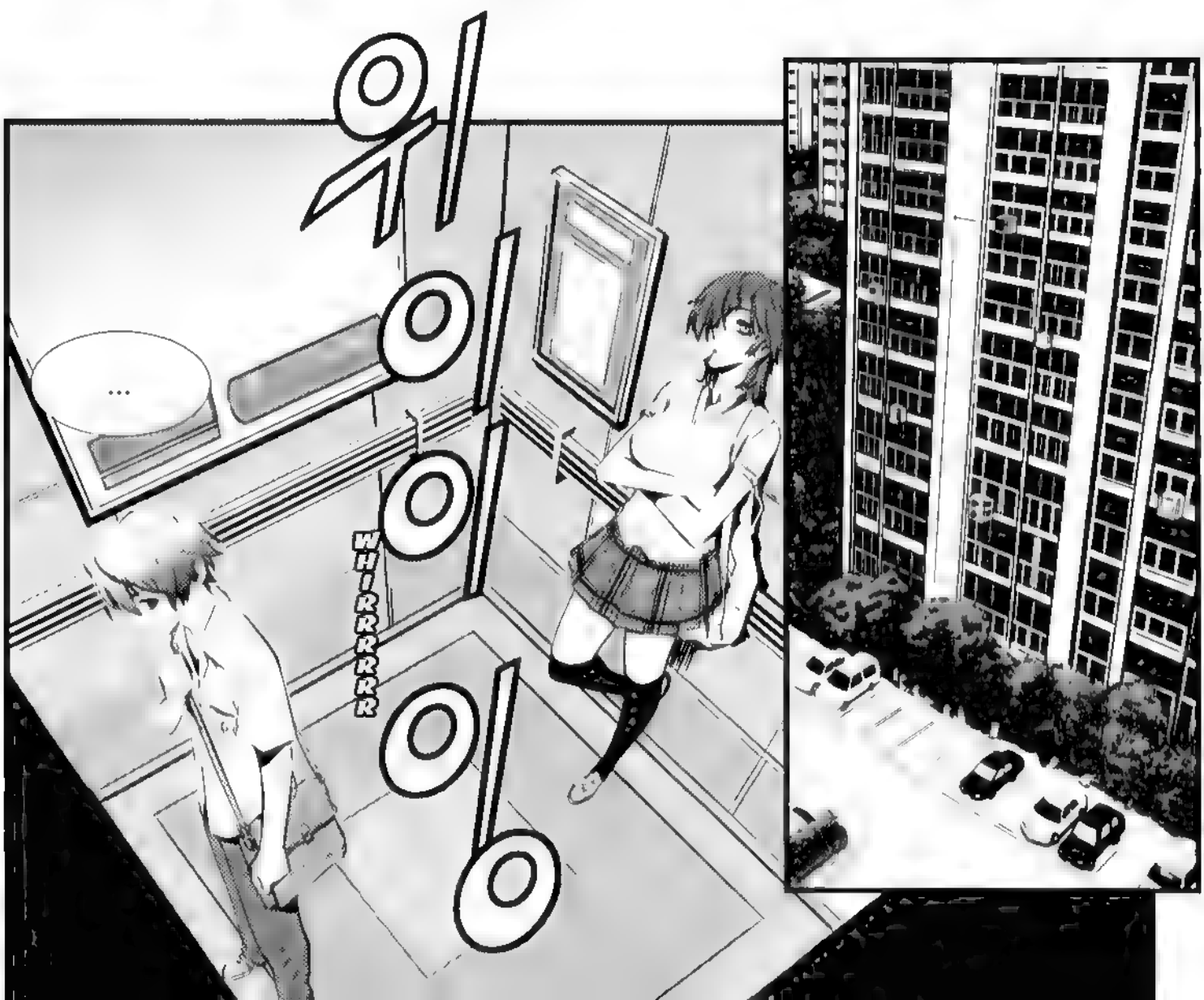
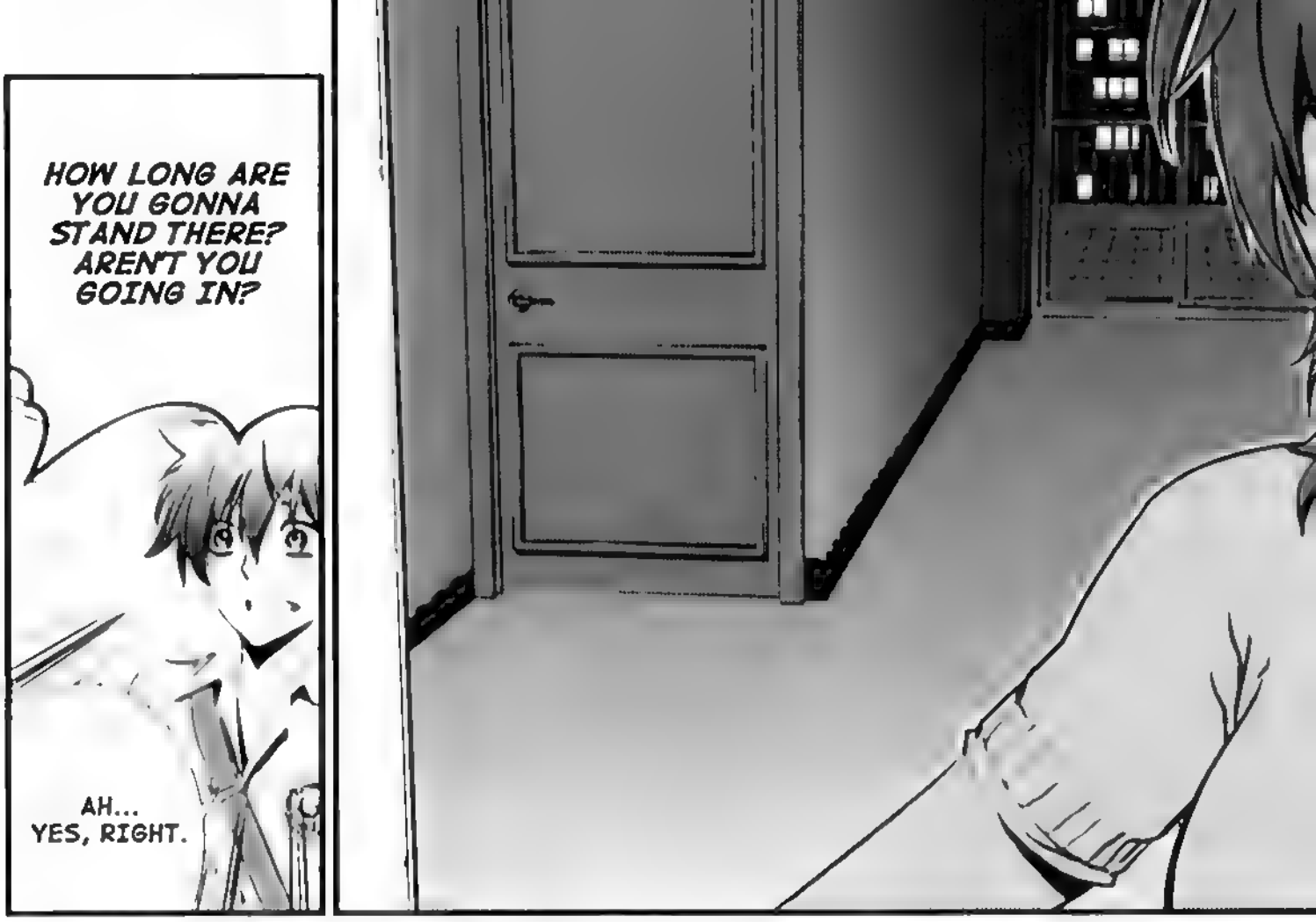
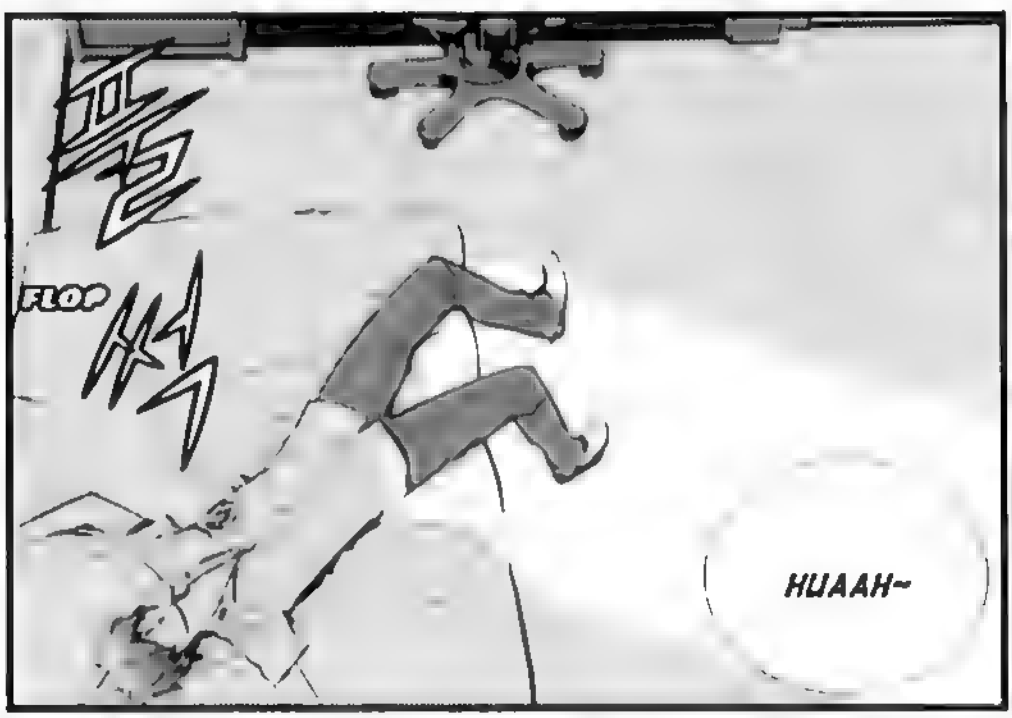
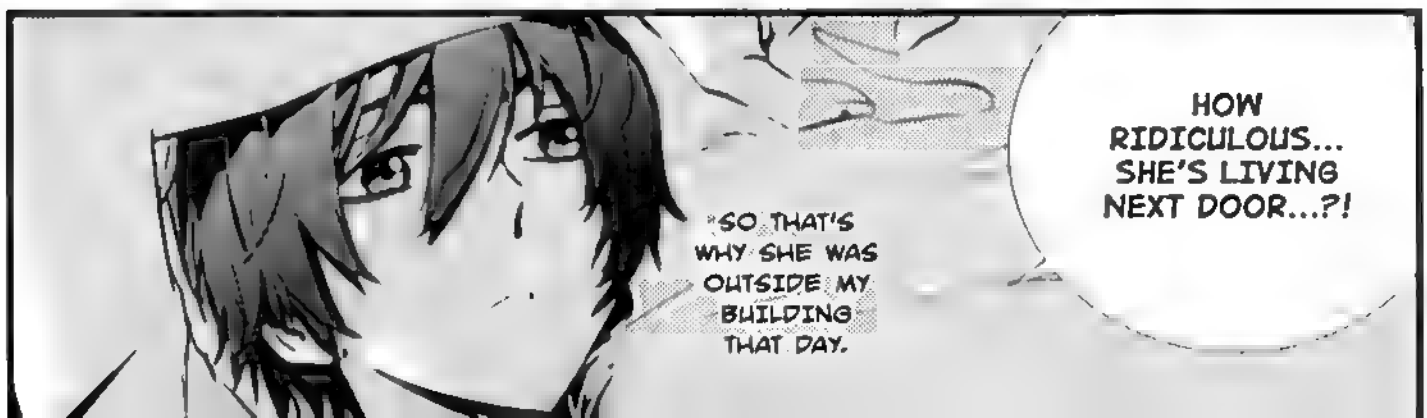

...
WHIRRRR

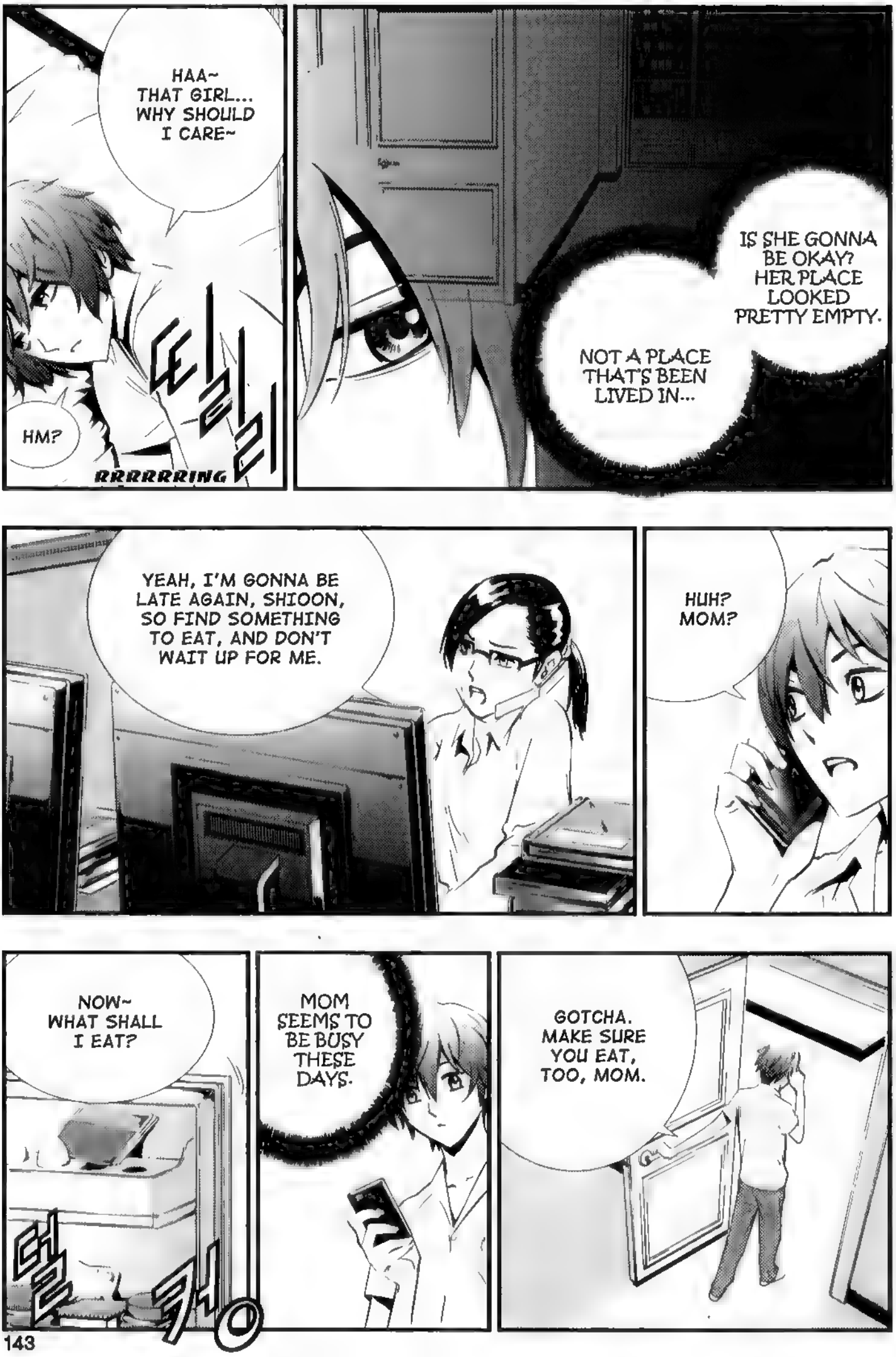
...
YOU DIMWIT.
DOES "UNDERCOVER SECURITY" INCLUDE FOLLOWING ME HOME?
!
DDING
HUHHH?! N-NEXT DOOR?!
CREEAK
BEEP BEEP
!
Y- YEAH...
AS SOON AS YOU'RE INSIDE, WASH UP AND JUST GO TO BED! DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT GOING OUT!


HOW LONG ARE YOU GONNA STAND THERE? AREN'T YOU GOING IN?
AH... YES, RIGHT.


FLOP
HUAAH~

THUMP


HOW RIDICULOUS... SHE'S LIVING NEXT DOOR...?!
SO THAT'S WHY SHE WAS OUTSIDE MY BUILDING THAT DAY.


HAA~ THAT GIRL... WHY SHOULD I CARE~
HM?
RRRRRRING
IS SHE GONNA BE OKAY? HER PLACE LOOKED PRETTY EMPTY.
NOT A PLACE THAT'S BEEN LIVED IN...
YEAH, I'M GONNA BE LATE AGAIN, SHIOON, SO FIND SOMETHING TO EAT, AND DON'T WAIT UP FOR ME.
HUH? MOM?
NOW~ WHAT SHALL I EAT?
CLANK
MOM SEEMS TO BE BUSY THESE DAYS.
GOTCHA. MAKE SURE YOU EAT, TOO, MOM.

[TL-NOTE: "SHIN RAMEN" (SPICY RAMEN) AND "WANG DDOO-KUNG" (LIT. KING LID; "BIG BOWL"): BOTH ARE POPULAR KOREAN INSTANT NOODLE BOWLS -- POUR IN SEASONING PACKET AND HOT WATER, CLOSE LID AND WAIT A FEW MIN.]

OF COURSE, OF COURSE.
NAH, BECAUSE I'D BE IN LOADS OF TROUBLE IF THEY GET HIM AT SCHOOL, RIGHT?
I DID THE RIGHT THING, THE RIGHT THING.
DID I SAY TOO MUCH BACK THEN?
MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE LET HIM BE...
THAT DUMMY, HE JUST TOOK IT THE WRONG WAY, THAT'S ALL.
AH! I DON'T CARE!
WHATEVER! IT'S WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE!

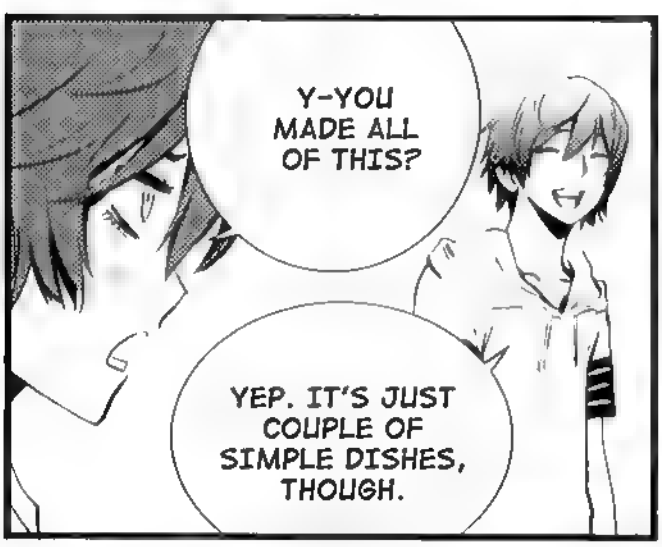
...
NOW THEN! LET'S DECIDE ON TONIGHT'S MENU!
DING-DONG
BUT, OF COURSE... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE...
HM?
HAAH~ I WANNA EAT RICE.
WHAM
WHAT IS IT?!
SHOCK
WHAT HAPPENED? SOMETHING WRONG?
AH... UM... I WAS JUST THINKING...

UM,
WOULD YOU
LIKE TO EAT
WITH ME?
HUH?
AH,
I MEAN,
MY MOM IS
EATING OUT,
SO I'M GONNA
EAT BY MYSELF,
SO...

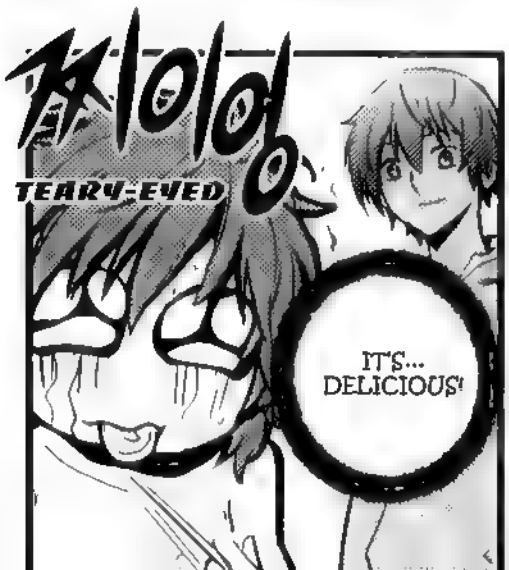
CHE,
NO THANKS!
AH,
WAIT,
WAIT.
PLEASE HELP
ME OUT.
I'M AFRAID OF
BEING HOME
ALONE,
Y'KNOW.
PLUS,
YOU SAID I
CAN'T GO
OUTSIDE.

...
YOU'RE HERE AS
MY BODYGUARD,
RIGHT?
DOING YOUR JOB
ALL THE TIME
MUST BE TOUGH,
BUT AT LEAST YOU
CAN EAT WITH ME,
RIGHT?
RIGHT?
HMPH,
WELL,
IF YOU
INSIST,
THEN...
AH, HOW
ANNOYING~

SCHLURP


Y-YOU MADE ALL OF THIS?
YEP. IT'S JUST COUPLE OF SIMPLE DISHES, THOUGH.

HERE'S YOUR RICE...


TEARY-EYED
IT'S... DELICIOUS!

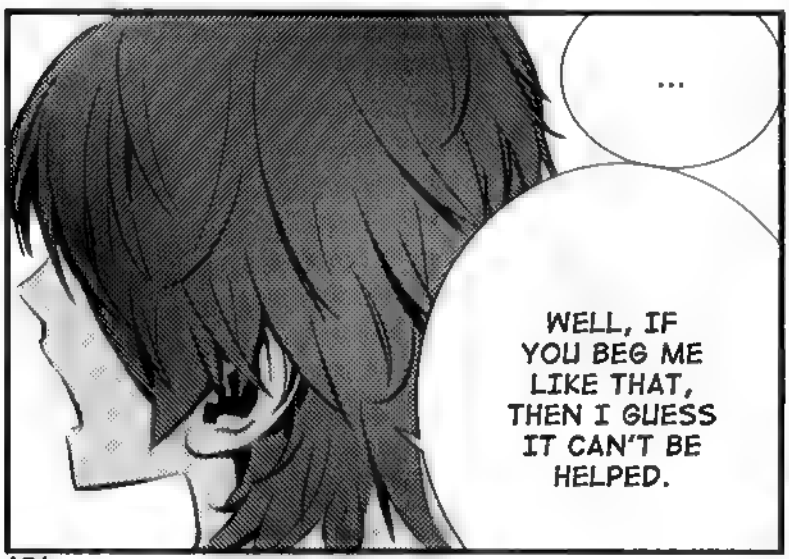
Y-YEAH.
IT SHOULD BE EDIBLE, AT LEAST. I'M USED TO COOKING FOR MYSELF, SINCE MOM IS ALWAYS BUSY WITH WORK.
DIG IN.

暴風食事
폭풍식사
WHIRLWIND MEAL
HOW IS IT? HAVE AS MUCH AS YOU WA...
SHOCK
MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH
MUNCH MUNCH
THEY'RE... SCARY.
AH?
MURIM-IN... EVEN WHEN THEY EAT...
UM... WANT SECONDS?
DO I LOOK LIKE A PIG TO YOU?

BURRRP
WHEESH
AH... WELL, THEN...
THIS 10-SERVING RICE COOKER, IT'S...
EMPTY
SO? HOW WAS MY COOKING?
AH, HOLD ON, HOW ABOUT SOME TEA...
JUST SO-SO... IT WASN'T BAD.

FROM NOW ON, WILL YOU EAT WITH ME OCCASIONALLY?

IT'S FINE, I ATE HERE LIKE YOU WANTED, SO I'M LEAVING.


...
WELL, IF YOU BEG ME LIKE THAT, THEN I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

WHAM

RRRRRING
AH, SAE-HEE.
PRADA
WHAT THE?

RRRRRING
HM?
ALRIGHT, NOW FOR DISHWASHING.

YOO JI-GUN?
HALLO~
DO YOU KNOW
WHO I AM?
WOW~
YOU'RE GOOD.
WE MET ONLY
ONCE, AND YOU
REMEMBERED
MY NAME.

ARE YOU CURIOUS? SHALL I PUT HER ON?
HUH??
WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY ARE YOU CALLING ME FROM SAE-HEE'S PHONE?
!!
AH, MY BAD. I DON'T THINK SAE-HEE IS IN ANY POSITION TO TAKE THE PHONE RIGHT NOW.
WHAT THE HELL DID YOU DO TO SAE-HEE?!
WHO KNOWS?
COME TO THE STOREHOUSE BEHIND THE SCHOOL BUILDING.
THEN I'LL TELL YOU.

IF YOU DON'T, THEN I WON'T BE RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO SAE-HEE.
OF COURSE, YOU KNOW YOU HAVE TO COME ALONE, RIGHT?
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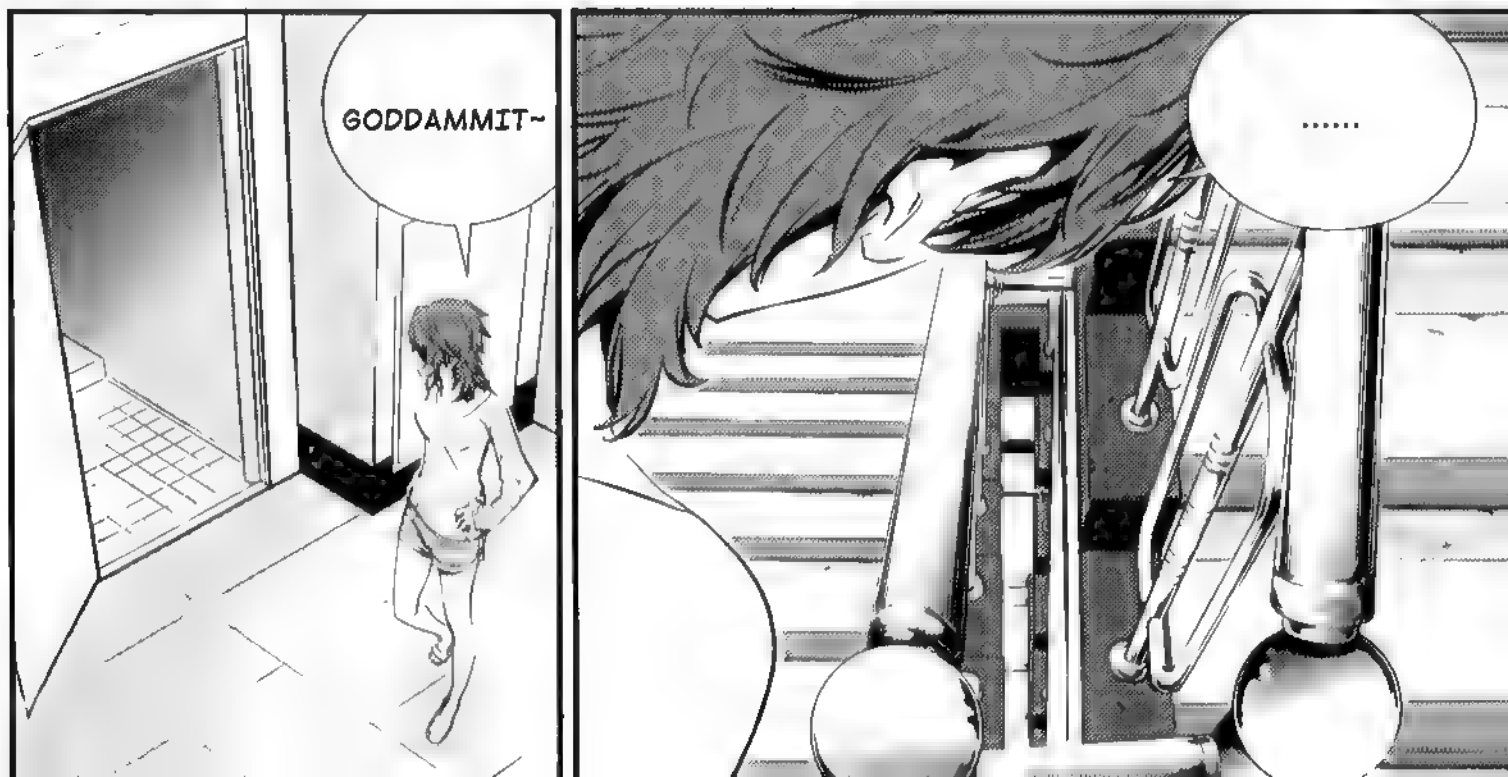
DDU DDU DDU
CLICK
HEY, YOU!
HEY!
DDU DDU DDU

HUUAH~
I THINK I ATE
TOO MUCH.
HUFF
HUFF

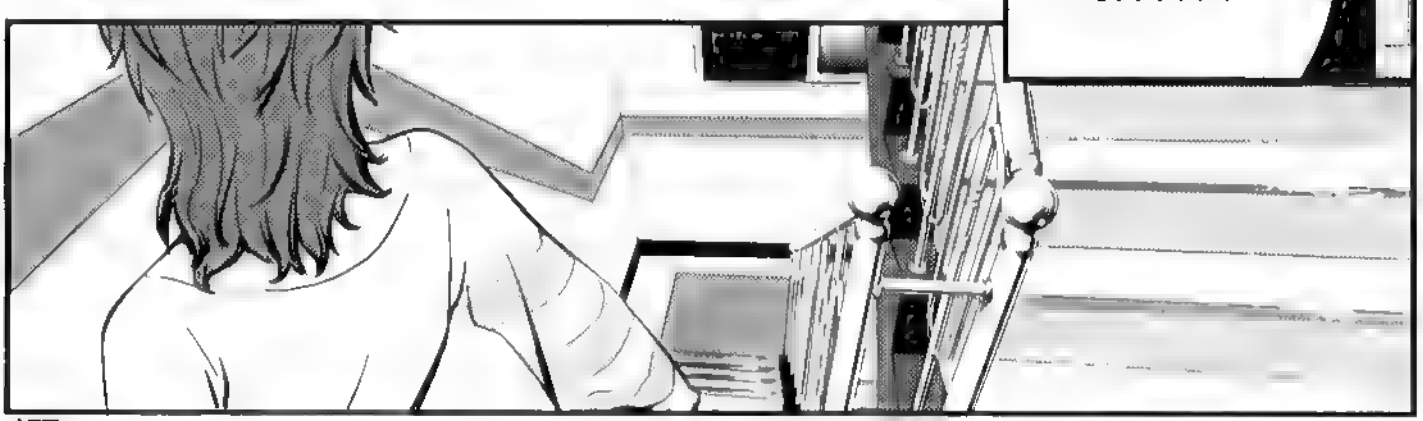
QUITE
UNEXPECTED
OF THAT GUY
TO BE SUCH A
GOOD COOK.

WHAT?
WHAT IS
IT?
HM?
BAM

TADADA
OI! WHERE'RE YA GOING?


GODDAMMIT~
.....

SLAM
TAP TAP
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM, ALL OF A SUDDEN.



HUFF
HUFF

FWOOOOSH
BOOM

SLAP!
OI! DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO WAIT UP!
I'M SORRY, BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO TALK.
WAIT HERE FOR ME, I'LL BE BACK SOON.
WHAT'S WITH THAT BRASH ATTITUDE ALL OF A SUDDEN?
WHAT THE HELL?
THAT

THE BREAKER
New Waves

HUFF
HUFF

WHOA~ DID YOU REALLY COME ALONE?
!

WHERE? WHERE ARE THEY?

YOO JI-GUN!
SAE-HEE, WHERE'S SAE-HEE?!
SAE-HEE?
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D COME OUT SO EASILY WITH JUST ONE CALL.

WHAT?
SHE PROBABLY GOT HOME SAFELY.
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YOU KNOW WE WENT TO NOREH-BANG, RIGHT? YOU SHOULD HAVE COME, TOO. IT WAS A BLAST.
T-THEN THIS WAS A PRANK CALL?
WHAT? ARE YOU MAD?
OF COURSE I AM! WHY WOULD YOU PULL SUCH A PRANK?
HM... WHY, YOU ASK?
IT WAS SOOOO FUN THAT SAE-HEE MUST HAVE ACCIDENTALLY LEFT THIS BEHIND.

YOU'RE... A MURIM-IN?
STARTLED
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU KNEW SOMETHING WAS OFF; ISN'T THAT WHY YOU RAN HERE WITH THAT SERIOUS LOOK ON YOUR FACE?
OTHERWISE, YOU WOULD HAVE DISMISSED IT AS JUST A PRANK CALL. ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
MAYBE BECAUSE I WANTED TO SECRETLY FINISH OFF GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE?

WELL... THAT'S...

THAT MORON.
THROW CAUTION TO THE WIND, AND THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT YOU GET...
HE'S GOT NO SKILLS WHATSOEVER, SO WHERE DOES HE GET THAT CONFIDENCE OF HIS?

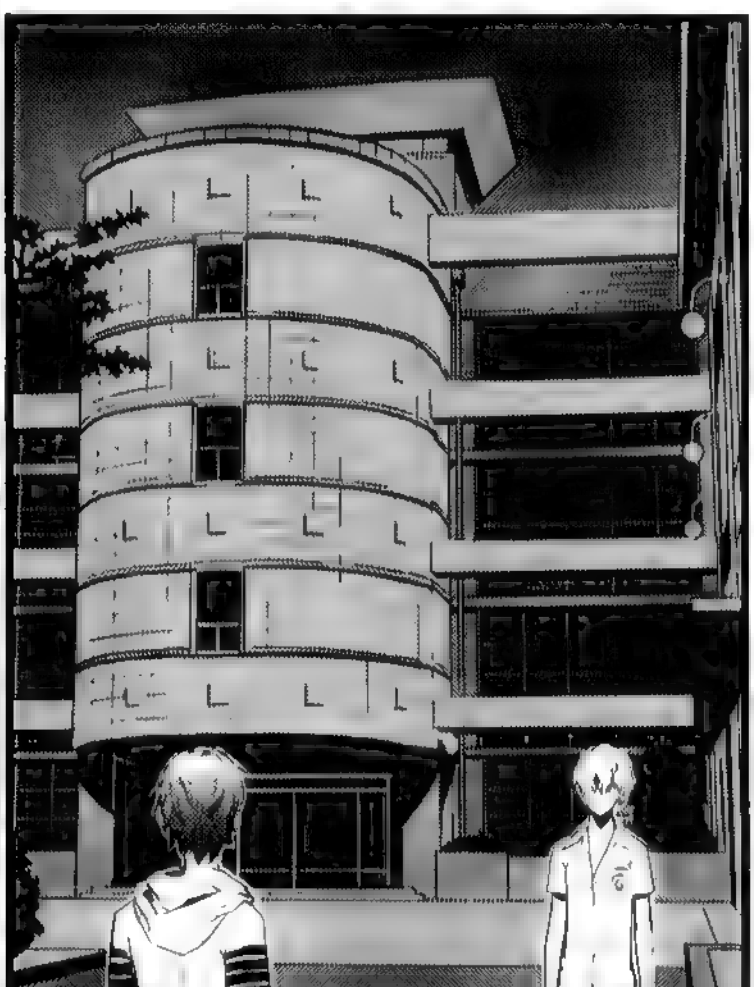
CHE! YEAH, I SHOULD JUST LEAVE HIM ALONE! THAT'LL TEACH HIM A LESSON.
UNTIL HE'S FALLEN SO DEEP, THAT HE BEGS THE SUNWOO CLAN TO SAVE HIS LIFE.
LEAVE HIM BE, UNTIL HE GETS PUSHED SO FAR IN TO A CORNER...
BUT THAT'S REASSURING. I THOUGHT THAT YOU HATED ME.
!
HM?
KONK
AH~~ NOT NOW WITH THOSE STUPID THOUGHTS!

BECAUSE THERE'S NO WAY THAT SOMEONE WITH NO INNER ENERGY COULD OUTRUN ME, PLUS...
OF COURSE, YOU'D BETTER GIVE UP ANY IDEAS OF RUNNING AWAY.
I'VE SET UP A FEW SAFETY NETS, YOU SEE.
SUUK
OH, NOTHING SPECIAL.
WHAT IS IT YOU WANT FROM ME??
!!
W-WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?

!
JUST THAT THERE'S SOMEONE INSIDE WHO'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU, THAT'S ALL.

GET GOING.

SUUK

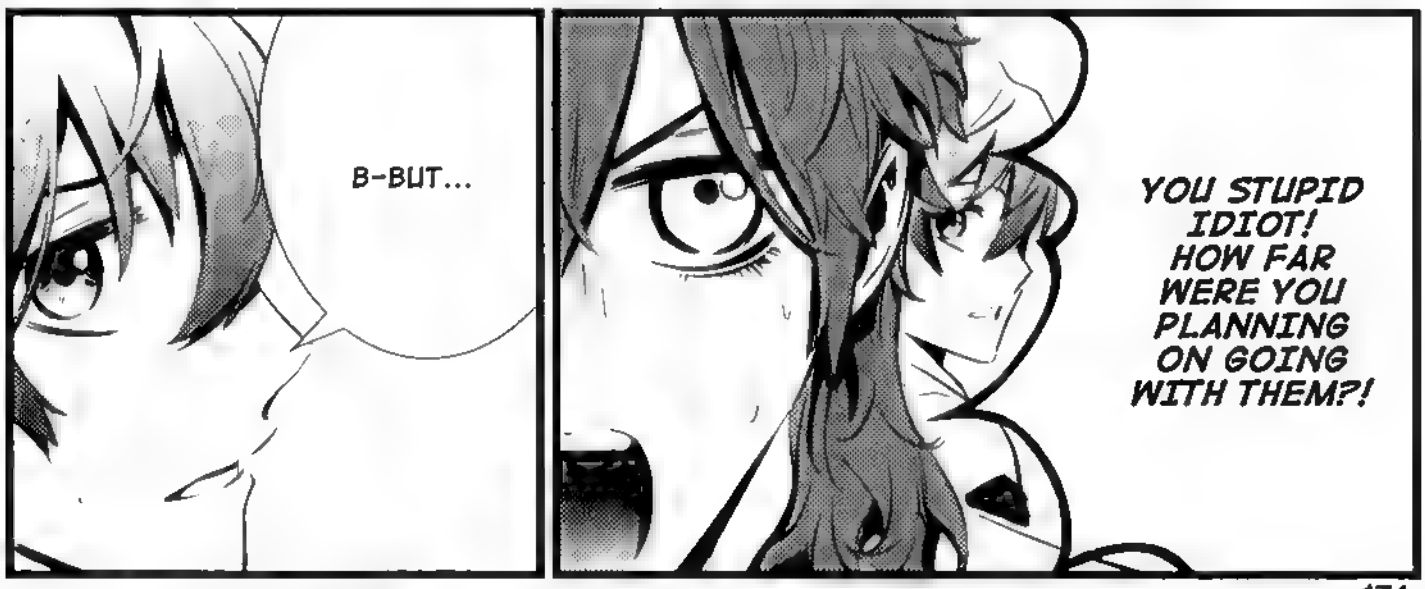


HAND OVER SAE-HEE'S PHONE.
WHAT?

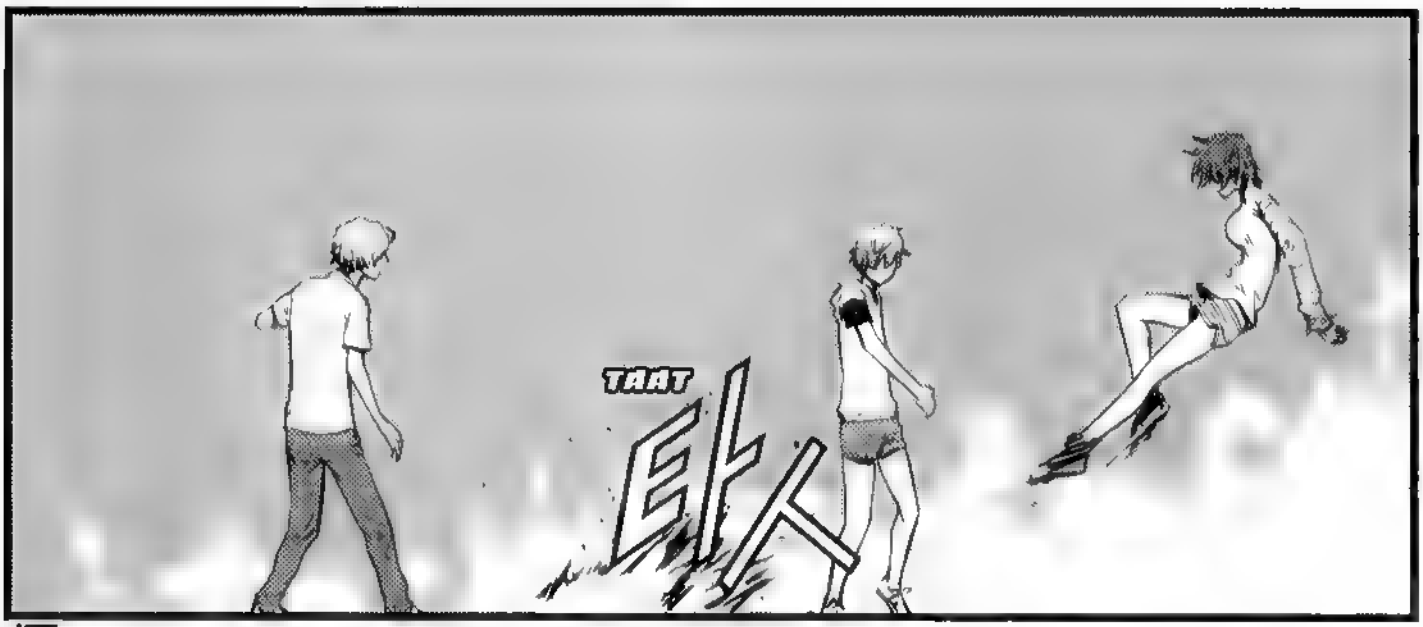
AHAHAHAHAHA~
YOU'RE JUST AS FUNNY AS I HAD HEARD!
AHA?
FAREWELL, YI SHIOON. IF YOU'RE LUCKY ENOUGH TO SURVIVE, THEN WE'LL MEET AGAIN.
HEY, JI-GUN. THAT'S...
IT'S OKAY, HE WON'T CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS WITH THAT.
FINE. HERE, TAKE IT.
TUUK

GET DOWN, YOU IDIOT!
BM- BOOM
WUAAH!
ARGH!
GRAB
WHOAA!
WHOOSH

[*- "UNNI" MEAN "OLDER SISTER" FROM A GIRL'S POV; BOYS NORMALLY SHOULD USE "NOONA"]



POOW
SHUUUUK
HEH.


TAAT

WHAT'S WITH HIM? I COULDN'T SENSE HIS MOVEMENTS.
CHUAAK

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, UNNI.
THE SKILLS THAT BROUGHT DOWN STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL'S JUNG-WOO -- COULD YOU SHOW THEM TO ME AS WELL?

AH~
NO NEED TO BE SURPRISED, I WAS THE ONE THAT SET THAT UP.
THE STRONG DRAGON SCHOOL?

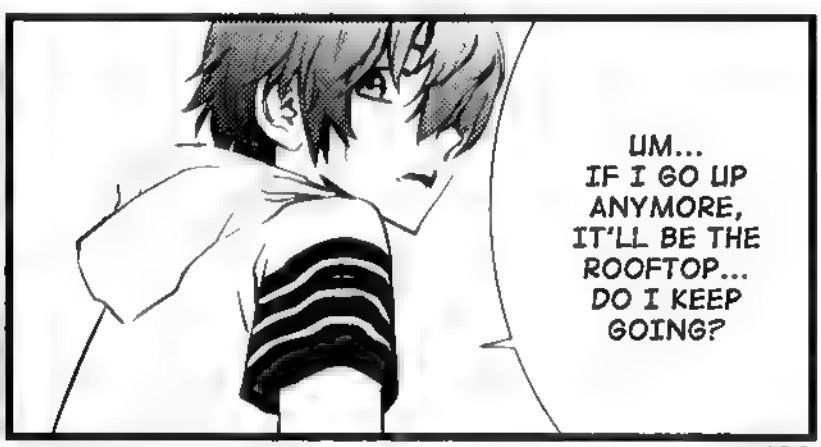
YOU TWO AHJUSSI'S OVER THERE, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THIS, JUST TAKE HIM AWAY.

KA
SU-SUUK
YOU...!

KUUK!
POOW
AAAH~ UNNI, I TOLD YOU THAT I AM YOUR OPPONENT.
CHUAAAK
IT'S FINE; DON'T WORRY ABOUT THIS, JUST TAKE HIM INSIDE.
I WANNA FINISH THIS UP QUICK SO THAT I CAN REST.
CHE! THAT WAS DEFINITELY JUST ONE FINGER THAT HE THRUST OUT...

HEY! YI SHIOON!
WHY... WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
GRAB
WAIT!
WAIT A MINUTE!
OH, DEAR, IT'S LIKE HE'S BEING DRAGGED INTO A SLAUGHTERHOUSE.
YOU...!
WHY DON'T YOU GIVE IT UP, UNNI? THE GAME'S ALREADY OVER.
LET'S JUST END THIS QUIETLY.

THE BREAKER
New Waves


UM... IF I GO UP ANYMORE, IT'LL BE THE ROOFTOP... DO I KEEP GOING?

CLANK
CREEAK
AH

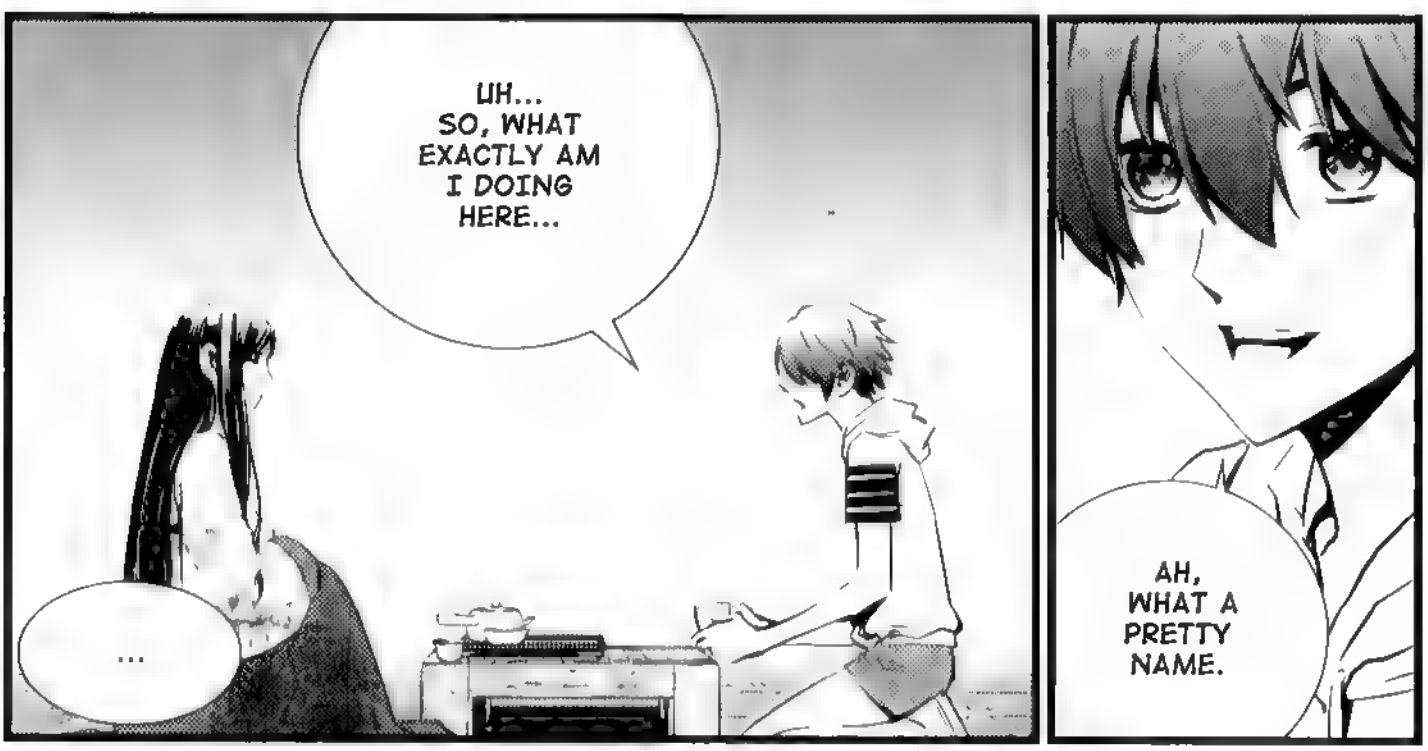
DOES THIS PERSON ALSO WANT TO KILL ME?
TREMBLE
I KNEW IT, THEY AREN'T TALKING...
GULP
WHO COULD IT BE, THIS PERSON WHO WANTS TO SEE ME...?

WELCOME.
I HAVE BEEN
EXPECTING
YOU.

[*- "JAK SUL", LIT. "SPARROW'S TONGUE". A HIGH-GRADE TEA MADE FROM THE YOUNG BUDS OF THE TEA PLANT. THE TEALEAF IS SAID TO RESEMBLE A SPARROW BIRD'S TONGUE, AND THUS IS CALLED "JAK SUL"]

UM... MAY I ASK WHO YOU ARE...
MY NAME IS KANG SERA.
THIS IS SO SURREAL. I WAS BROUGHT HERE UNDER SOME FRIGHTENING CIRCUMSTANCES, AND YET...
HERE I AM, DRINKING TEA ON THE SCHOOL ROOFTOP WITH A HANBOK* BEAUTY...

[*- TRADITIONAL KOREAN DRESS]



IT'S REALLY GREAT. THIS IS THE BEST TEA I'VE EVER HAD.
HOW WONDERFUL.
THAT YOU ARE ENJOYING YOUR LAST CUP OF TEA IN THIS LIFE.
PBBBT
W-WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU...

POW
!
POW

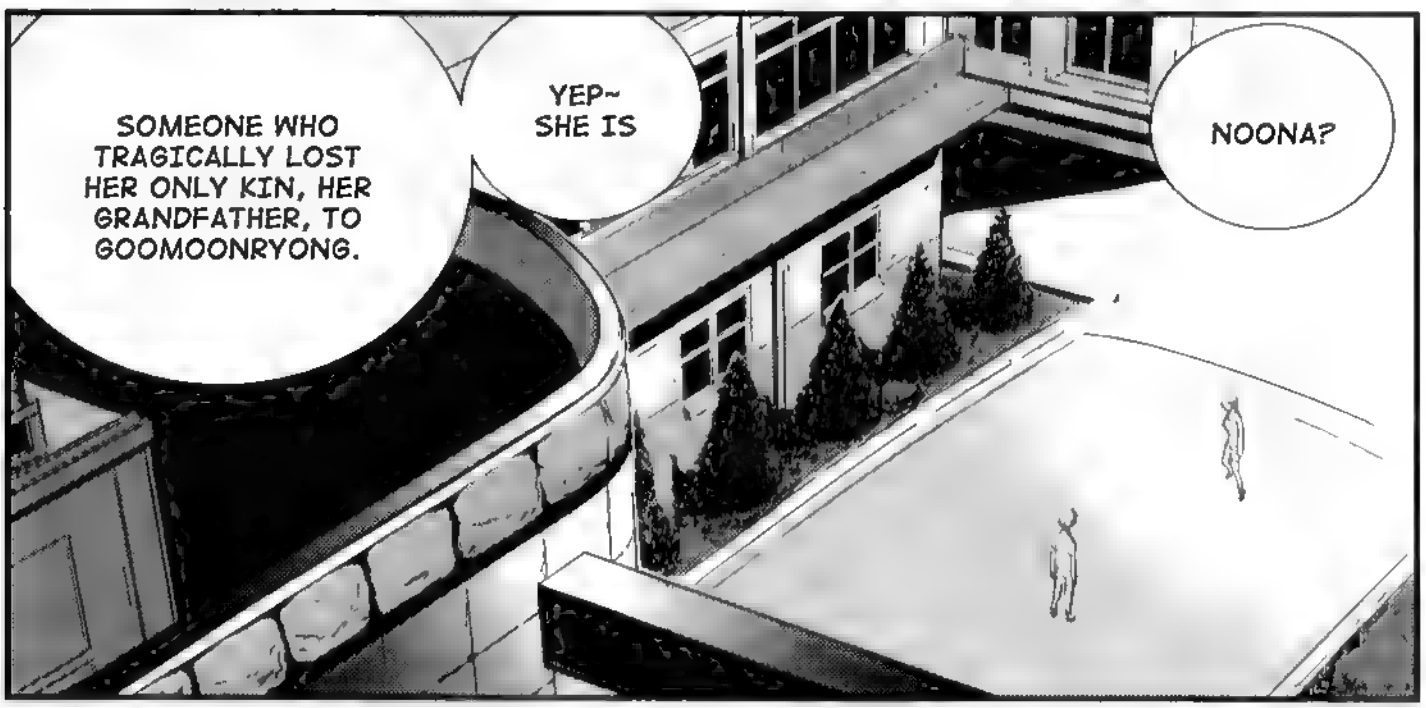
CHUAAK
WHY?
HUK
HUU
HUU
WHY IS IT THAT HIS OUTSTRETCHED ARM FEELS MUCH LONGER.
♪
EVEN THOUGH I'M ATTACKING WITH MY LEG, WHICH HAS A LONGER REACH?

WHO EXACTLY ARE YOU...? NOT A NORMAL MASTER, ARE YOU?
HOW ABOUT IT, UNNI? GIVE UP YET?
IF I WERE YOU, I WOULD TRY BREAKING THROUGH AT ANY COST, INSTEAD OF ASKING QUESTIONS...

WHAT? WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
HM... I'D GIVE HIM ABOUT A MINUTE BEFORE HE'S DEAD.
!

WHO ARE YOU? AND WHO IS UP THERE?
I'M SUPPOSED TO HOLD YOU UP FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES.
ANSWER ME! WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY THAT?!
NO, NO, GIVE & TAKE!
THOUGH THAT'S MORE THAN ENOUGH TIME TO FINISH OFF SOMEONE WITHOUT ANY INNER ENERGY.
AH~
"S.U.C."? WHAT'S THAT?
IF YOU ANSWER MY QUESTION, THEN I'LL ANSWER YOURS. UNNI, ARE YOU PERHAPS "S.U.C."?
HUH? YOU'RE NOT? THEN WHY ARE YOU TOGETHER WITH THAT GUY?

AND SHIOON IS UP ON THE ROOF, MEETING A CERTAIN NOONA WHO'S BURNING WITH VENGEANCE.
WOW~ CALM DOWN.
MY NAME IS JI-GUN.
OI! I ANSWERED YOU, SO NOW YOU ANSWER ME! WHO ARE YOU, AND WHAT'S SHIOON DOING UP THERE?!


SOMEONE WHO TRAGICALLY LOST HER ONLY KIN, HER GRANDFATHER, TO GOOMOONRYONG.
YEP~ SHE IS
NOONA?

BY KILLING GOOMOONRYONG'S DISCIPLE, OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
SO SHE WANTS TO GET REVENGE IN THE SAME WAY

HE'S GONNA DIE? HIM?
FROM NOW ON, WILL YOU EAT WITH ME OCCASIONALLY?

CHE.
CLENCH
CRUMBLE
THAT IDIOT...
!

VOOM
WOW. PRETTY GOOD.

SOMEHOW, YOU SEEM MORE SPIRITED.
CHE.
POW
THAT
AH-AH...
AAAAAAAAH!

PLUNGE
YOU'RE LETTING YOUR DESIRE GET AHEAD OF YOU.
WHEN ONE GETS EXCITED, THEIR MOVEMENTS GET BIGGER AND LOTS OF WEAKNESSES OPEN UP.
KUUK...
!

WHOOOSH
TUK
WHAT'S THIS?

WHEW~ SHE'S TOTALLY LIKE A BIRD!
SHOULD I FOLLOW HER?
TAAT TAAT
HUH?

I FULFILLED THE REQUESTED AMOUNT OF TIME, SO IT'S OKAY, RIGHT?
WELL, NAH.

YOU WERE SO COOL, REDHAIRED UNNI. I'LL SEE YOU NEXT TIME.
AH~ SO TIRED

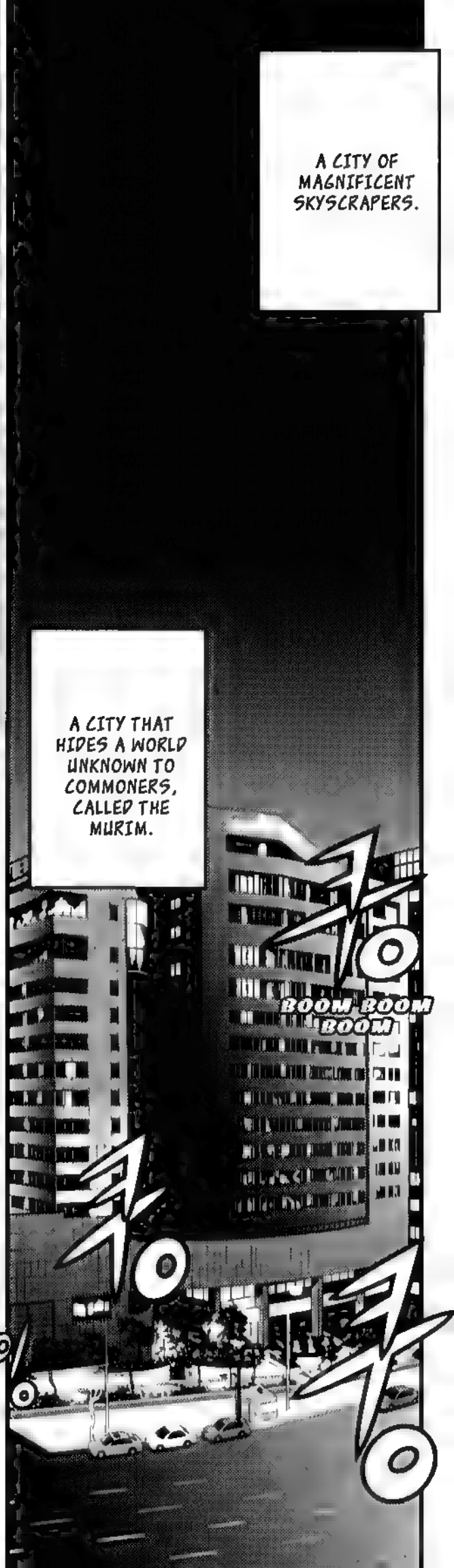
HEY! YI SHIOON!
WHERE...!
TUK
ARGH!

HEY!
YI SHIOON!
SEE YOU IN BREAKER NW VOLUME 2 !!

THE BREAKER
무도
BOOM BOOM BOOM
IT IS A WORLD WHERE ADHERENTS OF THE MARTIAL ARTS LIVE ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN CODE.
NORMALLY, THIS WORLD IS HIDDEN AWAY FROM THE REGULAR WORLD.

THE MURIM SPECIAL OPERATIONS SECTION, A SECRET ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE...
WHERE ONE PURSUES A SOMBER CAREER OF PUBLIC SERVICE WITH A PAY GRADE SALARY SYSTEM, GUARANTEED RETIREMENT, AND A PENSION PLAN FOR SECURITY IN OLD AGE...
NO, NO, THOSE ARE SECONDARY MATTERS...

HOWEVER, A SOCIETY MADE OF HUMANS MUST HAVE ITS CRIMINALS.
AND THERE ARE THOSE WHO GUARD AGAINST THEM AND KEEP THE PEACE.
WHEESH


A CITY OF MAGNIFICENT SKYSCRAPERS.
A CITY THAT HIDES A WORLD UNKNOWN TO COMMONERS, CALLED THE MURIM.
BOOM BOOM BOOM

ONE MARTINI, PLEASE...

SUUK
0%
IN ANY CASE, THEY PLACE THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE IN FACING OFF AGAINST THE CRIMINALS OF MURIM, WHO THREATEN THE REGULAR WORLD.
THE BREAKER
EXTRA STORY
MARTIAL ARTS CITY

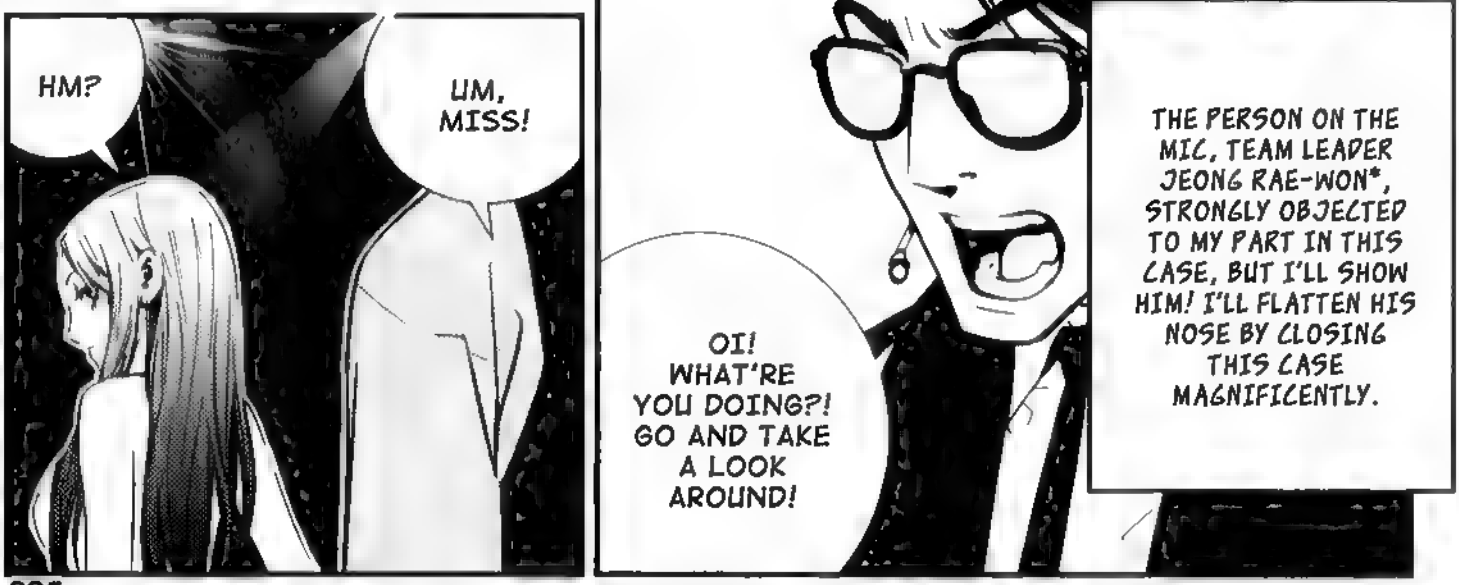
!
SEE ANYONE SUSPICIOUS NEARBY?

WOW... SHE'S SO SEXY...
WHO IS SHE? ISN'T SHE NEW HERE? AN ACTRESS?

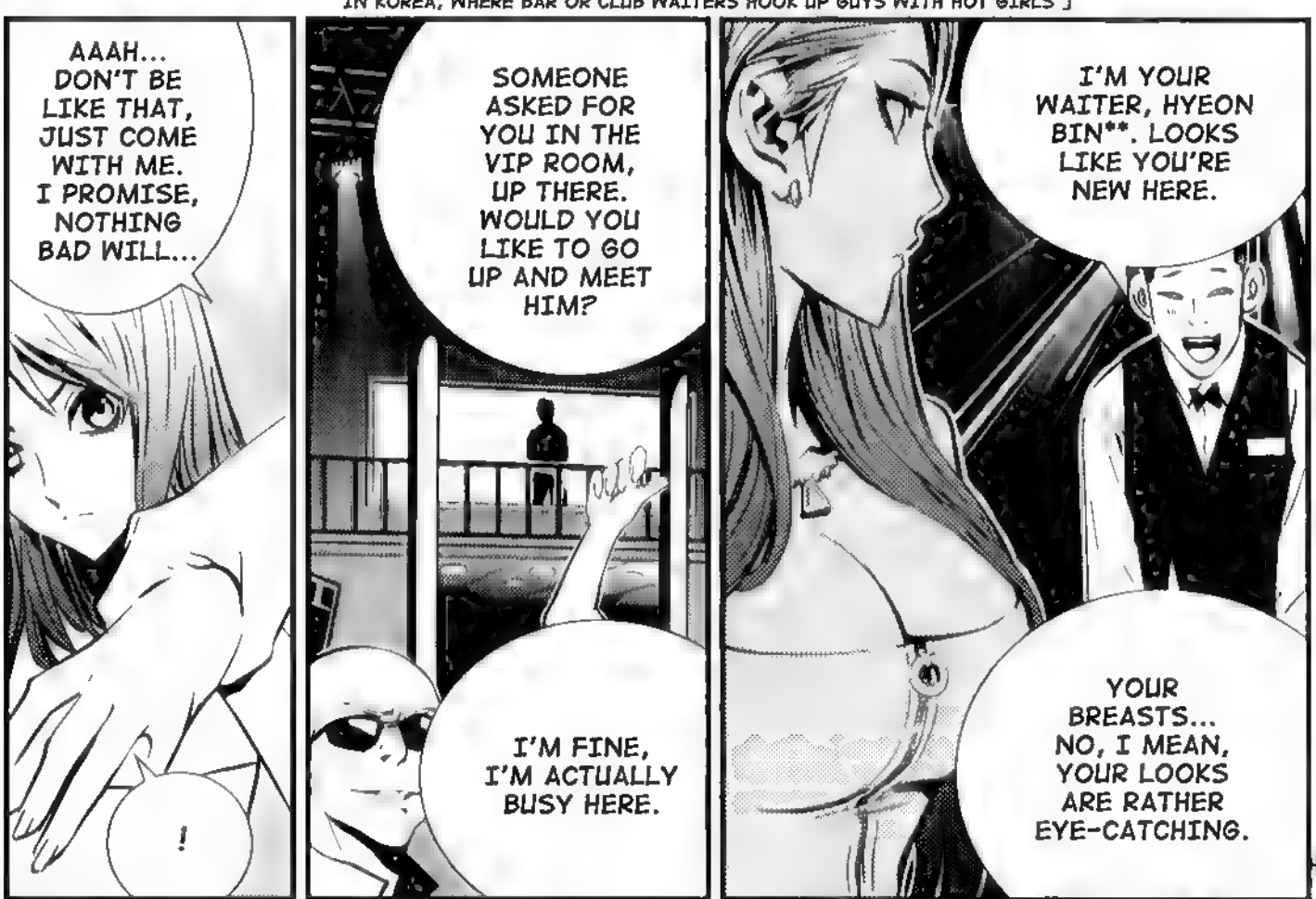
I DON'T KNOW. BUT THIS DRESS. IT'S REALLY TIGHT ON MY CHEST. IT'S GONNA RIP IF I MAKE A SUDDEN MOVEMENT.
OI! WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT YOUR CLOTHES NOW! YOU NEED TO FOCUS, 'CUZ THE SUSPECT MIGHT BE LOOKING AT YOU RIGHT NOW!

THIS IS MY FIRST STEP TO BECOMING A MARTIAL ARTS HEROINE OF JUSTICE, WHO FINALLY EXTERMINATES MURIM VILLAINS.
I JOINED THE MURIM SPECIAL OPS SECTION THROUGH SPECIAL ADMISSION, AND WITHIN A MONTH I GOT SENT OUT IN THE FIELD WITH GREAT EXPECTATION.
MY NAME IS KIM SOONI. I KNOW MY NAME SOUNDS RATHER CASUAL, BUT THAT'S NOT MY FAULT.
I HATE YOU, DADDY!
TREMBLE

[*- THE DOUBLE-AGENT FROM PART 1, WHO PLAYED A CRITICAL ROLE IN PUSHING GOOMOONRYONG OVER THE EDGE]


HM?
UM, MISS!
OI! WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! GO AND TAKE A LOOK AROUND!
THE PERSON ON THE MIC, TEAM LEADER JEONG RAE-WON*, STRONGLY OBJECTED TO MY PART IN THIS CASE, BUT I'LL SHOW HIM! I'LL FLATTEN HIS NOSE BY CLOSING THIS CASE MAGNIFICENTLY.

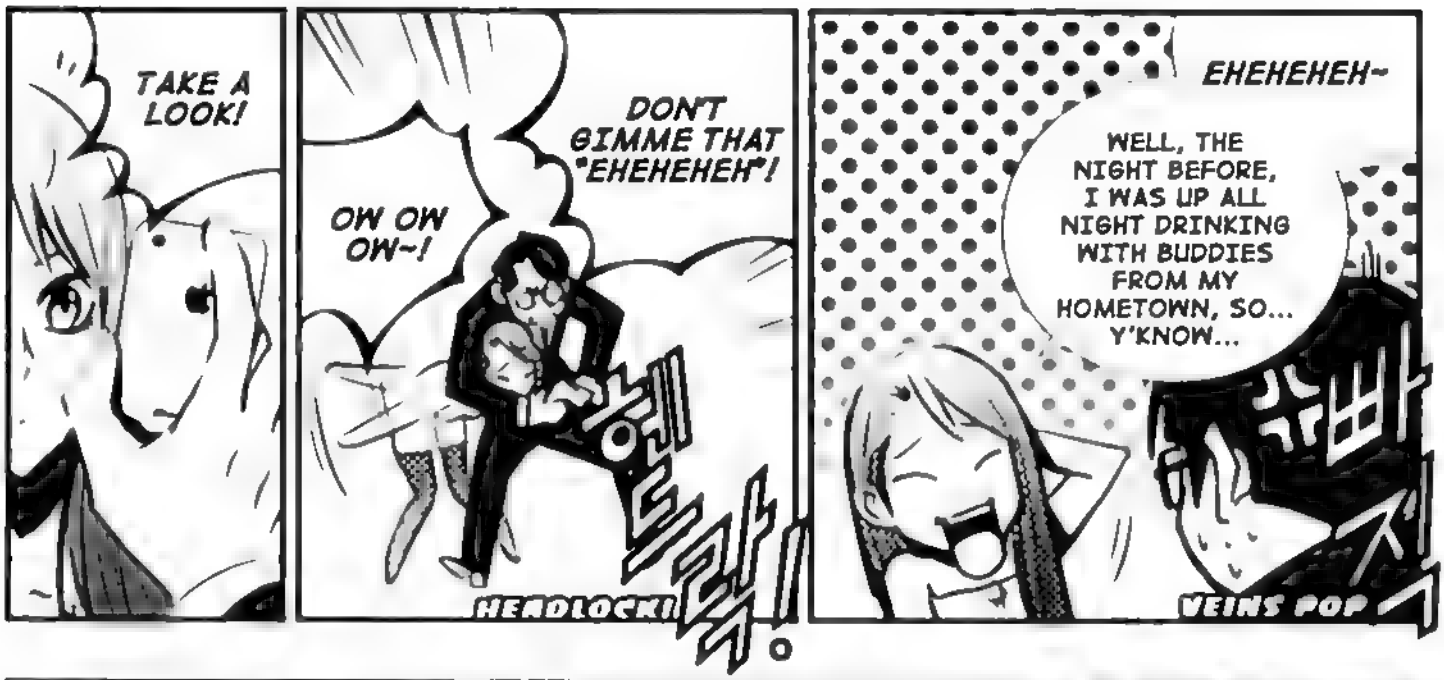
[**- BY COINCIDENCE OR NOT, THE NAME OF A FAMOUS KOREAN ACTOR; AND THIS IS AN EXAMPLE WHAT'S CALLED "BOOKING" IN KOREA, WHERE BAR OR CLUB WAITERS HOOK UP GUYS WITH HOT GIRLS]


AAAH... DON'T BE LIKE THAT, JUST COME WITH ME. I PROMISE, NOTHING BAD WILL...
!
SOMEONE ASKED FOR YOU IN THE VIP ROOM, UP THERE. WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO UP AND MEET HIM?
I'M FINE, I'M ACTUALLY BUSY HERE.
I'M YOUR WAITER, HYEON BIN**. LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE NEW HERE.
YOUR BREASTS... NO, I MEAN, YOUR LOOKS ARE RATHER EYE-CATCHING.

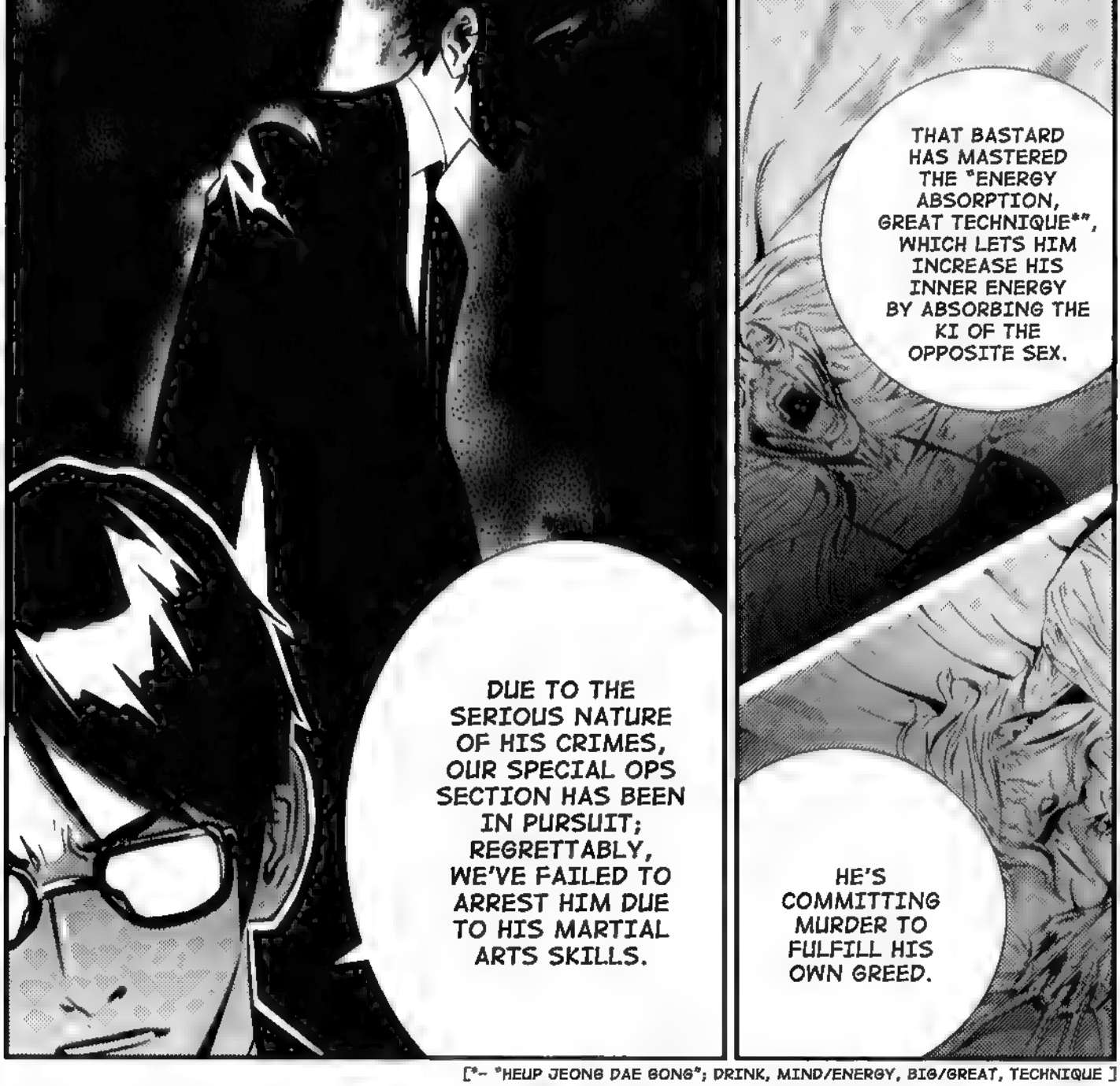
HOW DARE YOU GRAB A LADY LIKE THAT!
YOU WANNA DIE?!
콰당
CRASH
KYAAH!!
TOK!
CHATTER CHATTER
TOK!

HOH~?

T-THAT WAS BECAUSE HE SUDDENLY GRABBED ME...
SO, WERE YOU TRYING TO TELL EVERYONE THAT YOU'RE A MURIM-IN?! SHOW OFF TO THE SUSPECT AND LET HIM ESCAPE?!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU THINKING, STARTING A FIGHT DURING A STAKEOUT?!!
SIR, YOU REALLY HATE ME, DON'T YOU?
POUT
DAMMIT! THIS IS WHY I OBJECTED TO THIS PLAN...
WERE YOU EVEN PAYING ATTENTION AT THE MISSION BRIEFING?
!
A SINGLE MISTAKE?
IF YOU DIDN'T HATE ME, YOU WOULDN'T MAKE SUCH A BIG DEAL OVER A SINGLE MISTAKE, WOULD YOU?!


TAKE A LOOK!
DON'T GIMME THAT "EHEHEHEH"!
OW OW OW~!
HEADLOCK!
EHEHEHEH~
WELL, THE NIGHT BEFORE, I WAS UP ALL NIGHT DRINKING WITH BUDDIES FROM MY HOMETOWN, SO... Y'KNOW...
VEINS POP

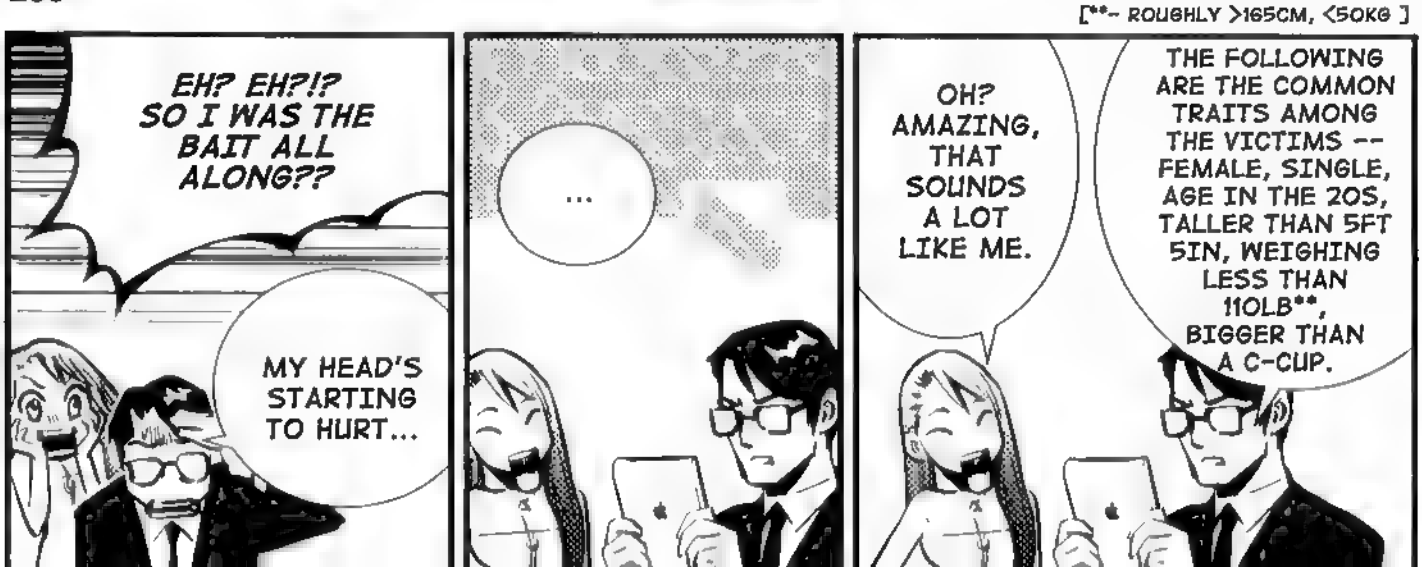
[*- "HWA HWA SONG-JA"; APPARENTLY A CHINESE TERM FOR A RICH FAMILY'S SON WHO HAS NO JOB & LEADS A LIFE OF DEBAUCHERY, I.E. A PLAYBOY]


DUE TO THE SERIOUS NATURE OF HIS CRIMES, OUR SPECIAL OPS SECTION HAS BEEN IN PURSUIT; REGRETTABLY, WE'VE FAILED TO ARREST HIM DUE TO HIS MARTIAL ARTS SKILLS.
THAT BASTARD HAS MASTERED THE "ENERGY ABSORPTION, GREAT TECHNIQUE*", WHICH LETS HIM INCREASE HIS INNER ENERGY BY ABSORBING THE KI OF THE OPPOSITE SEX.
HE'S COMMITTING MURDER TO FULFILL HIS OWN GREED.

[*- "HEUP JEONG DAE GONG"; DRINK, MIND/ENERGY, BIG/GREAT, TECHNIQUE]

WOW! WHAT A GOOD PLAN. SO WHAT'S THE BAIT?
SO WE PLAN TO USE BAIT THAT WOULD INTEREST HIM TO LURE HIM TO A PRE-ARRANGED LOCATION, AND USE ALL AVAILABLE RESOURCE AT ONCE TO ARREST HIM.

[**- ROUGHLY >165CM, <50KG]


EH? EH?!? SO I WAS THE BAIT ALL ALONG??
MY HEAD'S STARTING TO HURT...
...
OH? AMAZING, THAT SOUNDS A LOT LIKE ME.
THE FOLLOWING ARE THE COMMON TRAITS AMONG THE VICTIMS -- FEMALE, SINGLE, AGE IN THE 20S, TALLER THAN 5FT 5IN, WEIGHING LESS THAN 110LB**, BIGGER THAN A C-CUP.

[*- "BUN WON GAK" -- FENCE(?), LEG; NO HANJA GIVEN, SUBJECT TO CHANGE]

GRRR!
CHE! DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT WHETHER IT REALLY WORKS OR NOT?!
FINE, WHATEVER. I'LL TAKE YOUR WORD FOR IT, SO DROP THE CUTE ACT, TURN IN YOUR EQUIPMENT, AND GO HOME! WE'RE DONE FOR TODAY, AND WE'RE RETURNING HERE TOMORROW!
CHE! I HAVE A COMPLEX ABOUT THESE, Y'KNOW...
B-BUT I HAVE SKILLS, TOO! MY MARTIAL ARTS...
AAAH... THAT AMAZING FENCE-HIGH KICK* OF YOURS? I READ ALL ABOUT IT IN A REPORT. IN A REAL FIGHT, NO CRIMINAL WILL WAIT AROUND TO BE HIT BY SUCH AN OBVIOUS LEG KICK..

TUK
EH
SUCH AN OBVIOUS KICK...
VOOOM
SU-SUUK
WON'T WORK ON ANYONE, I SAID!
WHOOSH
KYAAH!
I WANNA TRY THAT AGAIN! I'M DEFINITELY GONNA HIT YOU THIS TIME!
DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME? TURN IN YOUR SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT, AND GO HOME!
CHUAAH

YEAH, YEAH, I HEARD YOU. YOU CAN TURN IN THE EQUIPMENT TOMORROW. I'M TAKING OFF FIRST.
STOP RIGHT THERE! DON'T YOU DARE RUN AWAY!
ARE YOU SCARED? YOU SCARED THAT I'LL GET YOU THIS TIME?!
WHAT THE HELL'S WRONG WITH HER?

AH FREAKIN... AND WHERE THE HELL AM I, ANYWAY?
CHE! THAT FOUR-EYES! HE ALWAYS FINDS FAULT WITH EVERY LITTLE THING!
VROOOM
부

SHOULD'VE FLATTENED HIS POMPOUS ASS WITH THIS KICK...
휘
WHEESH
잉
GAWD, THIS SUCKS. CAN'T BELIEVE HE'S MY SUPERIOR. HE JUST LOVES TO DIG INTO OTHERS' WEAKNESSES.

CLINGING ONLY TO THAT KICK ISN'T GOOD...
NO, MASTER!
I KNOW YOUR FENCE-HIGH KICK IS SPLENDID, BUT...
SOONI...
I'M SORRY, MASTER, BUT THAT WAS ACTUALLY A LIE.
I LOVE THE FENCE-HIGH KICK! I'LL SHOW YOU I CAN BE THE BEST MASTER WITH JUST THAT KICK!

IN ANY CASE, WHEN I GET MY BONUS FROM THIS CASE, I'M GOING TO GET A BREAST REDUCTION.
AH... I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER THOSE BAD MEMORIES.
CONK
TO BE HONEST, I DON'T LIKE USING OTHER TECHNIQUES BECAUSE THEY MAKE MY BREASTS BOUNCE TOO MUCH. I MASTERED THAT KICK BECAUSE IT ONLY REQUIRES LEG MOVEMENTS.

EVER SINCE YOU WERE DOING THOSE KICKS.

W-WHO THE HELL ARE YOU? HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HERE?

HAHAHA, MY APOLOGIES. IT WAS AN UNINTENDED, BUT STILL A VERY PLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

YOU PERVERT! I'M GONNA REPORT YOU TO THE COPS!

IT WAS RATHER MEMORABLE. I MEAN, THE COMBINATION OF THAT SEXY ONE-PIECE AND THE TEDDYBEAR COTTON PANTIES.

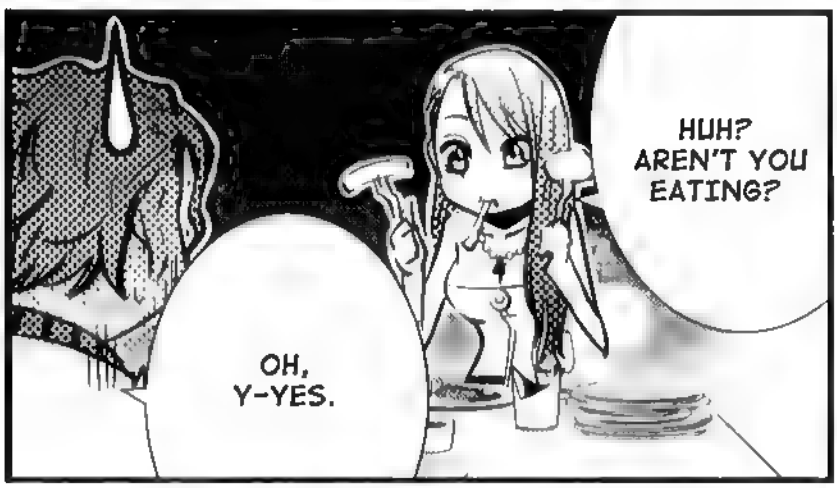
BLUSH

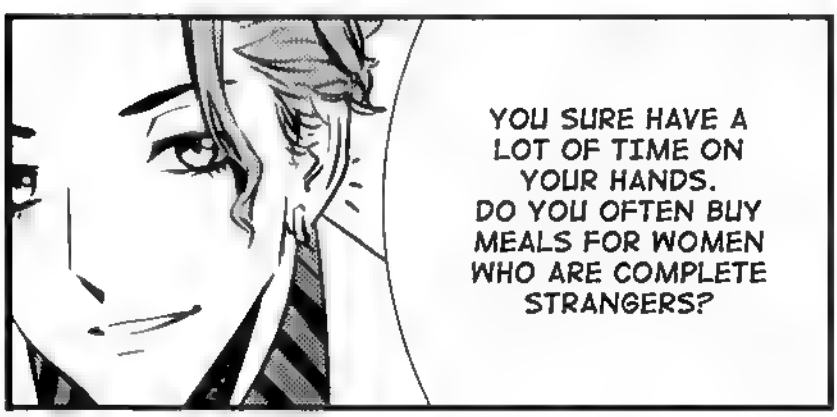
화끈

ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE MYSELF. MY NAME IS KIM TAE-GWAN.
HOW ABOUT I TREAT YOU TO SOME WINE? AS A WAY TO APOLOGIZE FOR MY RUDENESS.
IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT I HAVE A PRIVATE WINE CELLAR IN THE NEARBY HOTEL'S FRENCH RESTAURANT. IF YOU HAVEN'T EATEN, HOW ABOUT SOME WINE OVER DINNER?

NO, THANK YOU. I'M NOT HUNGRY AT ALL...
GRRROWL
...
T-THEN, MAYBE JUST DINNER.
WOULD YOU PLEASE RECONSIDER? IT'S NOT THAT FAR FROM HERE.

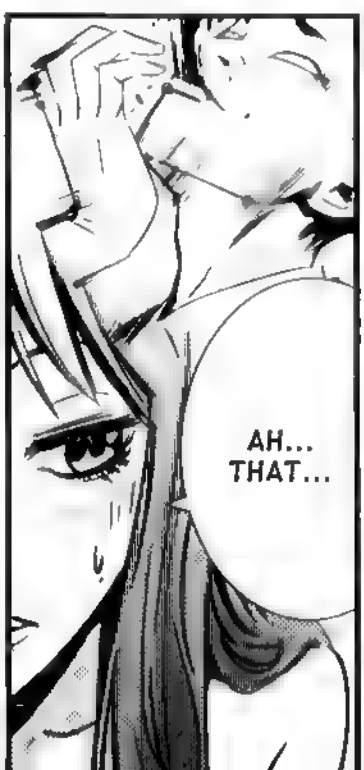
CHOMP CHOMP CHOMP
MUNCH MUNCH


HUH? AREN'T YOU EATING?
OH, Y-YES.


YOU SURE HAVE A LOT OF TIME ON YOUR HANDS. DO YOU OFTEN BUY MEALS FOR WOMEN WHO ARE COMPLETE STRANGERS?

CHOMP CHOMP

I WAS SO TAKEN WITH YOU AT FIRST SIGHT THAT I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU. AND SEEING AS HOW WE MET AGAIN, PERHAPS THIS IS FATE...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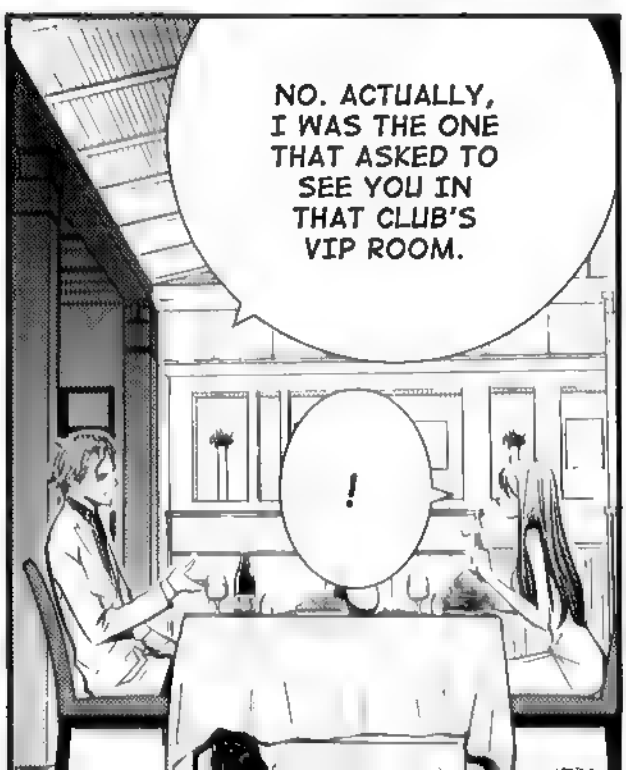
NO. ACTUALLY, I WAS THE ONE THAT ASKED TO SEE YOU IN THAT CLUB'S VIP ROOM.
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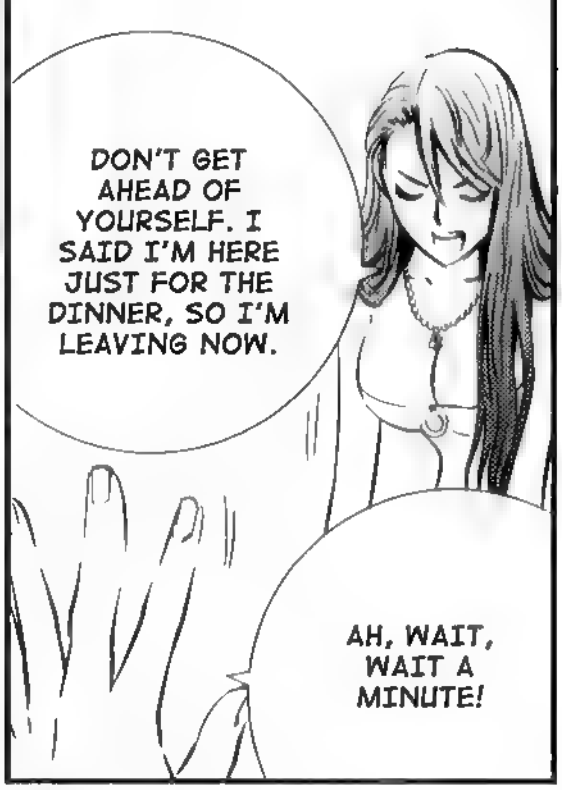

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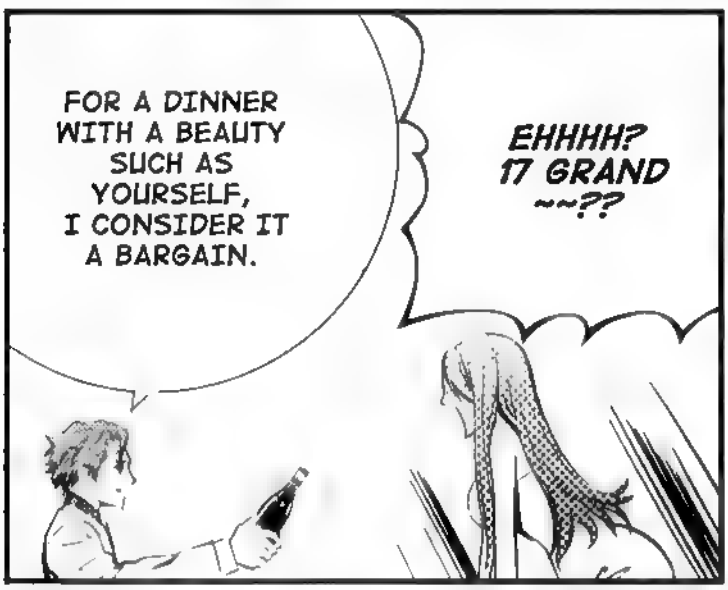
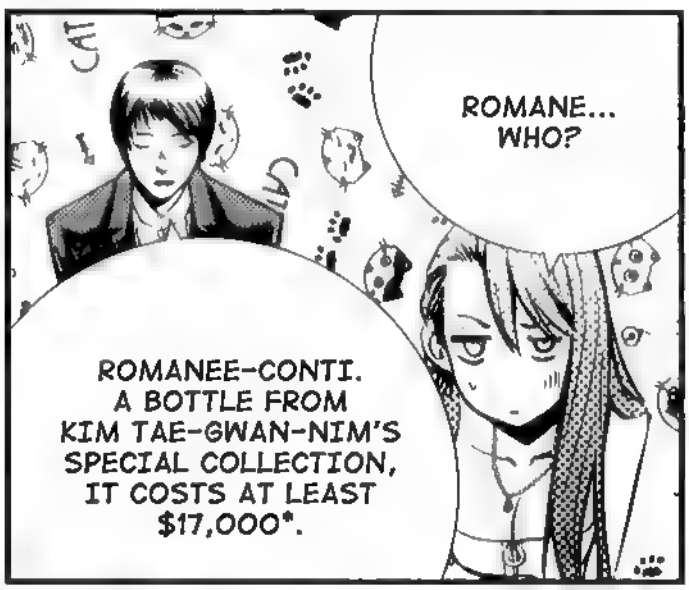
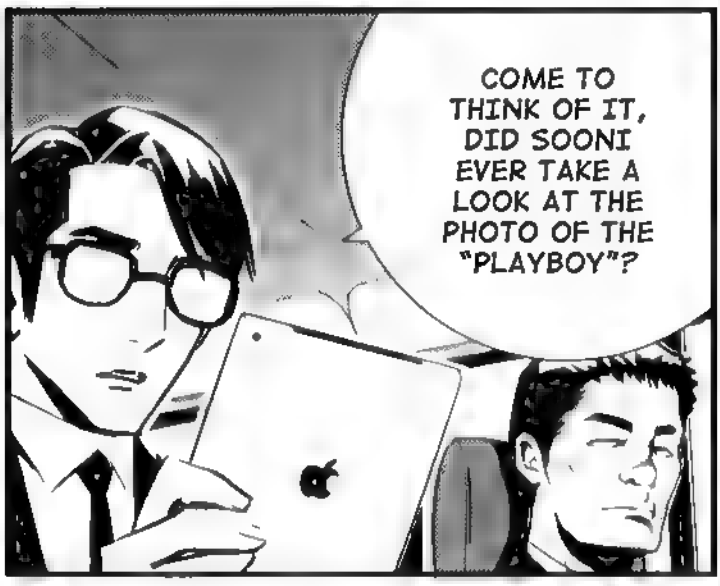





COME TO THINK OF IT, DID SOONI EVER TAKE A LOOK AT THE PHOTO OF THE "PLAYBOY"?

AW C'MON~ HOW COULD SHE NOT HAVE~

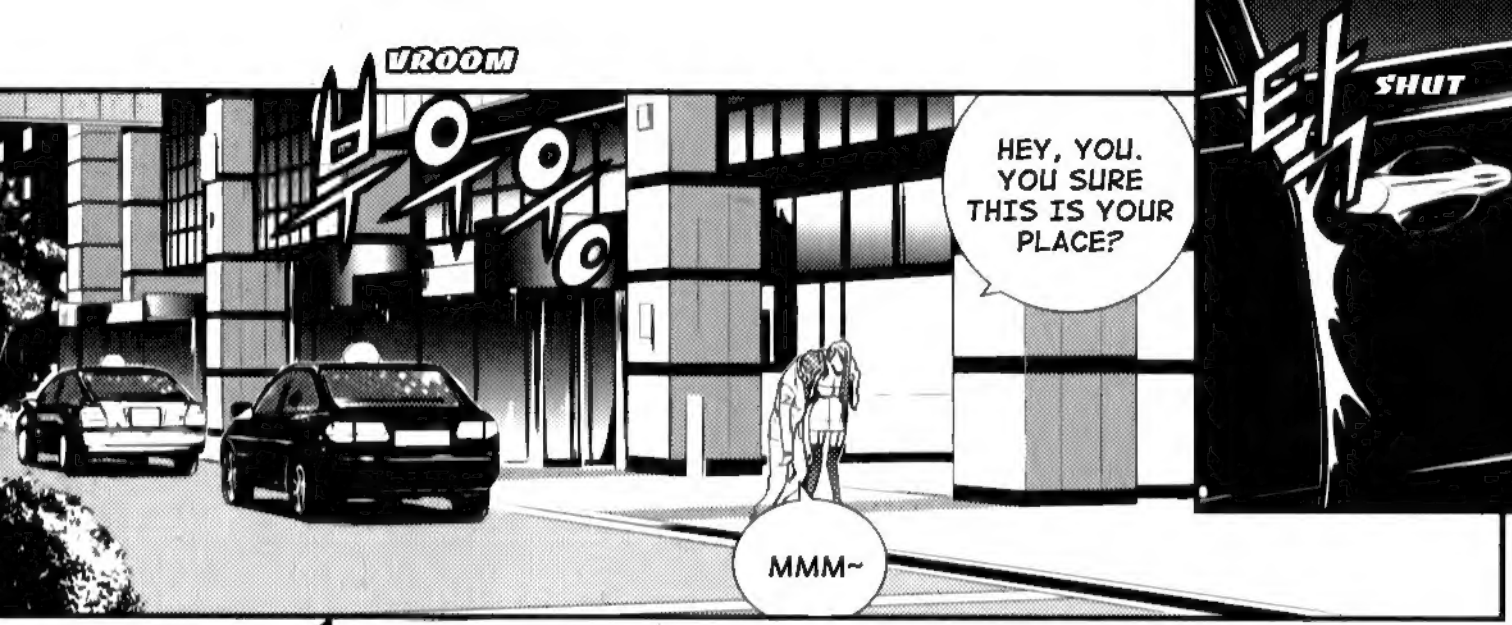
HM...

HAHAHA, RIGHT.

WELL, SHE CAN'T BE THAT DITZY, RIGHT?

OI, OI~ AHJUSSI. WAKE UP.
HOW CARELESS IS THIS GUY.
ZZZ~

WHAT THE?


VROOM
HEY, YOU. YOU SURE THIS IS YOUR PLACE?
SHUT
MMM~

FLOP

AH~ AH... RIGHT, THIS IS THE PLACE. I WAS SO HAPPY THAT I DRANK TOO MUCH. AH, MY APOLOGIES... FOR IMPOSING...
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DRANK SO MUCH IN THE FIRST PLACE.

WHAT A HUGE PLACE. WHAT DOES HE DO FOR A LIVING THAT HE COULD AFFORD IT ALL?
WHEW~

AH, SO SLEEPY. GOTTA GO HOME AND CRASH.
SUUK
ANYWAY, I'VE MORE THAN PAID YOU BACK FOR THE DINNER WITH THIS, RIGHT?
JUST WHAT TIME IS IT RIGHT NOW?
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